



CANA CHRONICLE

JUNE 2024



Be **KIND**
to one another,
TENDERHEARTED,
FORGIVING
one another, as
GOD in **CHRIST**
has forgiven **YOU.**

Ephesians 4:32, NRSV



June 27
8:30 a.m.—
Noon

Old Oak Park Warehouse
21800 Greenfield, Oak Park
We will be helping the
Client Choice Market

To help, contact: Dave Keener at
dakeener00@gmail.com
Or call Dave: 248-660-7897



Brian & Jean Griffin
have cancelled their home
phone. Their cells are:
Jean: 248-227-6828
Brian: 248-227-8187



The Tuesday Bible Study
will now be meeting on the
first & third Tuesdays
during the summer beginning
June 4th.
Please join us!



JUNE
BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Elizabeth Bor
- 3 Grace Weber
- 4 Margo Snay
- 5 Willow Baker
- 6 Noah Golembiewski
- 10 Nancy McChesney
- 11 Heidi Budd
- 20- Beth Duncan
- 23 Michael Sawicki
- 24 Heather Underwood
- 29 Iris Jolley



Sgt. Margaret (Margy) Courtney, daughter of Carolyn Wemple and the late Robert Wemple, has been awarded **Command Officer of the Year** of the Sterling Heights Police Force. The ceremony was on May 21 with the proud family attending.

Congratulations from Cana, Margy, on a job well done!



ALTAR FLOWERS

Bob Masek, our florist, has agreed to continue to supply us with Altar Flowers. Cost: \$35.00 for 1 vase. Please sign up for a special day on the flower chart directly across from the new office.

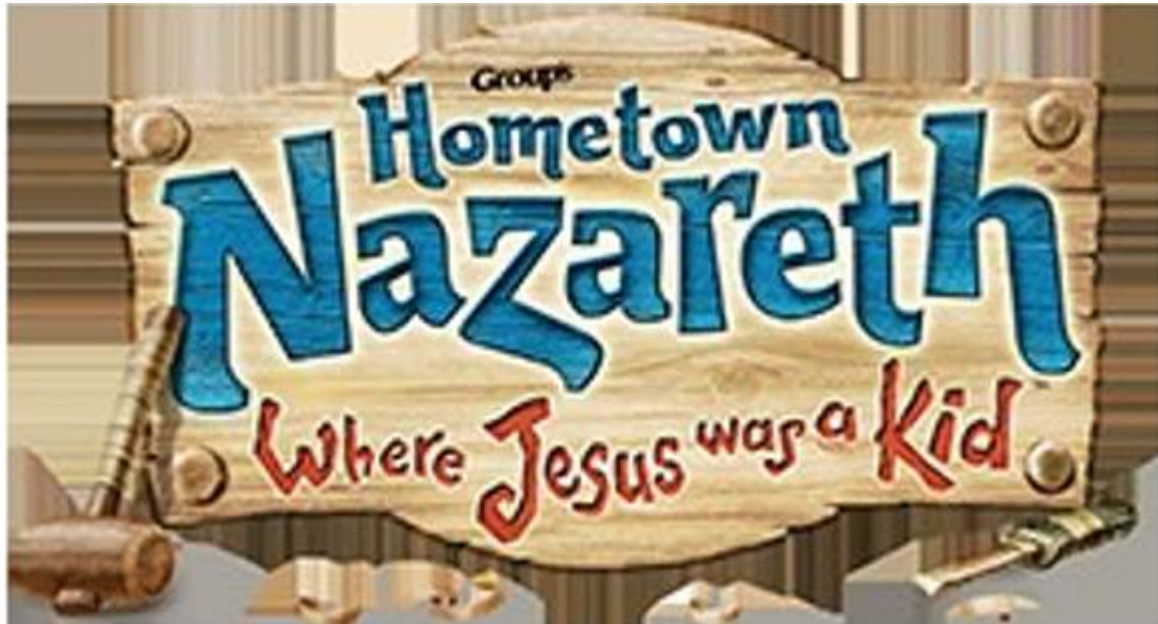
Prayer
Welcoming
Worship
Learning
Serving
Relationships



May the **WILL** of GOD take you, where the **GRACE** of GOD will keep you, where the arms of God will support you, where the **WISDOM** of GOD will teach you, and may the **POWER** of GOD protect you today and all of your tomorrows.

For those unable to attend service in person, please log into Cana's Facebook page, YouTube page, or website (Canaelca.org) for a live feed, listen to the service in the parking lot on FM-100.7, or watch at a later time on Cana Lutheran's YouTube page.

Learning Team News



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Cana and Drayton present

HOMETOWN NAZARETH

WHERE JESUS WAS A KID

July 15-18, 2024

9am-Noon

Registration Deadline: July 5, 2024

or when at maximum capacity. Register early!"

Please see Margo Snay to volunteer

We need teachers, outdoor recreation leader,
and many more hands to help.





Cana's Chapel
Sunday Worship Time
10:00 a.m.



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Bring a little snack for
 after worship!

Sign Up Sheet
 for Coffee Time
 after Worship is
 on the refrigerator
 in the Lounge.



**THE RCMP CONTINUES TO
 COLLECT FOOD**

- Please note: The RCMP will continue to deliver food items to 1st Presbyterian's Food
- Pantry in Royal Oak even after we are in our new worship space. The need for non-perishable
- food continues to be great. Please bring items such as rice, canned fruits, vegetables,
- gelatins, cake mixes, pork & beans, peanut butter, jelly, pasta products, etc. on any Sunday
- and put them in the wicker basket on wheels—new placement of the basket to be
- determined

Thank you and blessings to all who give. It is a blessing to those in need.

The Origin Of Father's Day

Many people assume Father's Day (and Mother's Day for that matter) is a holiday designed by greeting card makers to turn a profit. But that couldn't be farther from the truth. The story behind how this day became a holiday is actually a tale of determination by one woman and a decades-long fight to get fathers the recognition they deserve.



In May of 1909, a woman named Sonora Louise Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, heard a Mother's Day sermon by Reverend Dr. Henry Rasmussen in her hometown church and thought a similar day should be set aside to honor fathers. In June 1910, Dodd approached the Spokane Ministerial Association and the local Young Men's Christian Association with her petition outlining the idea for an annual observance. Spokane held its first Father's Day celebration on Sunday, June 19, 1910

The first US President to celebrate it was Woodrow Wilson in June of 1916, Wilson liked the idea so much of a day of observation for fathers that he pushed to make it a national holiday (he had just made Mother's Day official in 1915), but members of Congress resisted, fearing that such a day would take away support from the Mother's Day holiday, and commercialize the day for fathers, causing more harm than good.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge urged states to observe the day nationwide but refused to issue an official proclamation for the holiday, and by the 1930s there was an effort to combine Mother's Day and Father's Day into a single "Parent's Day" holiday. The general public had no interest in buying cards or gifts for dad that he probably didn't need.

More than 50 years after Dodd's initial efforts, Father's Day was recognized as a holiday to be celebrated on the third Sunday of June by President Lyndon Johnson's Executive Order in 1966. But it was still not officially recognized as a federal holiday until six years later, in 1972 when, during his re-election campaign, Richard Nixon signed an official proclamation setting Father's Day permanently on the third Sunday in June nationwide.

In 1978, Mrs. Dodd died at the age of 96. Her grave reads:

*Sonora Smart Dodd
Founder of Father's Day
1882-1978*



Any man
can
be a father
but it takes
someone special
to be a Dad.

Juneteenth

EMANCIPATION DAY

On June 19, 1865, nearly two years after President Abraham Lincoln emancipated enslaved Africans in America, Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas with news of freedom. More than 250,000 African Americans embraced freedom by executive decree in what became known as Juneteenth or Freedom Day. A century and a half later, people across the United States continue to celebrate the day as the end of slavery in the United States after the Civil War. It has been celebrated by African Americans since the late 1800's.

President Biden signed legislation in 2021 that made Juneteenth, which falls on June 19, a federal holiday, after interest in the day was renewed during the summer of 2020 and the nationwide protests that followed the police killings of Black Americans including George Floyd and Breonna Taylor.

There has been a noticeable increase in Juneteenth celebrations across the United States over the past few years.



*Its better to walk alone
than with a crowd
going in the
wrong direction*

Jean Griffin brought Rhubarb Bars to Dorothy's memorial. They were delicious and many people requested the recipe.

Rhubarb Bars
...Dorothy Griffin

Crust

2 cups flour
10 Tbsp powdered sugar
1 c margarine

Topping

4 eggs—beaten
3 cup sugar
1 cup flour
2 cups chopped Rhubarb

Directions

- ◆ Heat Oven to 350°
- ◆ Combine crust ingredients until fluffy
- ◆ Pat into jelly roll pan to form crust
- ◆ Bake for 15-20 minutes until brown
- ◆ Mix eggs and sugar together, then add flour until well blended
- ◆ Stir in Rhubarb and pour onto baked crust.
- ◆ Bake for 35 minutes until done



NOTE: To double this recipe, use a large cookie sheet.

DRAYTON'S 9TH CEREAL FOR SUMMER!

Cereal sometimes substitutes for school lunches and breakfasts that kids miss out on during the summer. These children are the reason that once again we join Detroit Presbytery's Hunger Ministry. To donate, please place cereal in the box near the chapel door.

Collection runs **June 9** to **September 8**.



The roses in the Cana Chapel on May 26th were in honor of the birth two new grandchildren. Bob & Sally Brock's great-granddaughter, Kathleen Ann to Samantha & Tyler Mitchel. Then on May 17 Ed & Bert Suckstorff greeted new grandson, Myles Larson, born to Sara & Jeff Harding on May 18. Blessings to both families on these wonderful gifts from God.

**Not Quite Good-Bye:
A Tribute to Cana and the Backyard Playroom Ministry**



While recovering from an illness at home during what was supposed to be the last hurrah for BYPR, I was thinking about how best to pay tribute to what is an extremely successful outreach program and I think I've found it. Several years ago, before the Backyard Playroom was ever open, the space used to be a plain looking Sunday School nursery.

There used to be Veggie Tales posters along the wall, and a Noah's Ark wall paper border. We needed to do something, anything to have more outreach, and to make the space more enjoyable for both the children and their adults. For those who may not know, Cana's main outreach has always been children and the greater Berkley community. Fast forward to 2016, Nathan Schleicher and his army of helpers brought forth the beautiful playroom we see today. If you look in the videos we have on the page, you can even see the building and construction of the play structure, and the laser used to custom etch our signs.

In the very beginning of Backyard Playroom, it used to be run on a volunteer basis. Now, it is run by two dedicated, and hard working individuals, Paula Cardelli, and Ashleigh McKnight. The entire Cana congregation supported and cheered us on as Paula grew the once small Backyard Playroom ministry, into the thriving drop-in playtime we now see today. It wasn't until late 2020, that Ashleigh was asked to come aboard to run the weekly drop-in playroom and throw Cana's and Backyard Playroom's first ever Baby Glow Party.

As we move into the future, the Backyard Playroom Host, is now the Backyard Playroom Coordinator, the Lounge is now the Check-In Room, and Paula is letting her chapter in the Backyard Playroom book come to a close.

I am eternally thankful for Cana, for Paula, and for the wonderful families who love and support us. We couldn't do what we do without you. Thank you so very much for allowing me to continue the Backyard Playroom Ministry so we can continue to provide families with a safe, fun, and clean environment for children to explore.

On a personal note, I am so blessed and thankful to have been given this awesome opportunity to grow the Backyard Playroom further. A supreme amount of trust has been given to me and I promise everyone at Cana and all of our families at home, and our new home, First Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, that I will do my utmost best to keep this program thriving and around for many years to come. Thank you for your trust in me, I appreciate that more than I will ever be able to express.

Like the title states, this isn't good-bye, this is simply a, we'll see you again soon. I love each and every one of you and can't wait to hear the children playing happily again.

Love, Hugs, and High-fives,
Ashleigh McKnight,
Backyard Playroom Coordinator Ministry

A big thank you to Terry Carlson for driving me to Synod. We delivered the large framed Tanzanian cloth that hung in the lounge. Our friends in Endasak gave it to Wes and Diane Thompson on their first trip to Tanzania. The staff at Synod said they would like it. I also brought a check of \$2,850 to be transferred to Mbulu. It provides scholarships for 11 students. Ten students are in what we call high school and one is in university. The fee is \$250/6 months for high school and \$350/6 months for university. Seven students have sponsors and five were sponsored by the Partnership Ministry account.



Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Wemple



OUR SCHEDULE!

All meetings are from 4:30-6:30pm unless otherwise specified

**Sunday, June 9 -
End of Year Party**
First Pres. Royal Oak



High Schoolers

Middle Schoolers



Important Details for the Mission Trip:

- Mayfield, KY July 7th-12th

The Middle School Mission Week has a name:

F.R.O.G.
Friends Reaching Out For God

June 24-27

Article Paraphrased from the
"Woodward Talk" on May 22, 2024

BERKLEY SCHOOLS PURCHASES CHURCH BUILDING FOR DISTRICT PROGRAMS

The Berkley School District officially closed on the Cana Lutheran Church on April 30 to help create a space for district programs. The longtime church building will be renovated and used for the districts Adult Transition Program and robotics team. We were able to come to an agreement for the purchase of the property that we're excited about because it meets the needs of the Adult Transition Program and the robotics program according to Berkley Superintendent, Scott Francis.

We've already started the process of working with our professional teams, the construction and architect teams and our robotics coach and our adult transition program leadership. Chris Golembiewski, a longtime member and president of the Cana Council, said the sale came organically through mutual connections as it was something they were not planning on doing.

Cana still has a lease on its building until December 2025. Cana will be able to use a portion of the space during this time. A press release from the school district stated the church offices and common space will be separate from school programming, there will be a separate entrance and the inside of the building will be separated through wall placement.

Starting this summer, the church council will begin talking about what the church's next steps will be and either finding a space in the area for itself or one to share with another congregation. "Our hope is that we would be looking at a church, a place, a space to either join or nest with in the Berkley community. Berkley, Royal Oak, you know, somewhere in the community that we've been in since 1945 to continue", said Golembiewski.

Francis said the sale was the perfect fit at the perfect time for the district. "It allows us to extend our campus and provide their own space for these two programs, which will be updated for them," he said. They're thrilled, we're thrilled, it's a win-win for the teams, for the campus and we believe for the congregation, the church, as well.



Greetings from the Backyard Playroom!

After a three-week hiatus, the Backyard Playroom will be hoping to be open again June 5th. The play structure is nearly done being re-built with the hardest parts being the only ones making us wait. The Check-In Room is completely done and ready to welcome new people. I cannot stress how excited I am for this new step to go forward.

The Fire Marshal has been by, the play structure is oiled and cleaned, and all that's left is to place toys and plan a welcome party. I have dearly missed the children and adults visiting the space I host and cannot wait for things to be flowing again. I Cannot wait to share the new space with all of you!



In Christ's Love,
Ashleigh McKnight,

Cana Lutheran Church Council Minutes—April 14, 2024

Present: Sally Brock, Paula Cardelli, Chris Golembiewski, Brian Griffin, Jim Knickerbocker, Pr. Ron Strobel

Absent: Karen Blinkilde, Terry Carlson, Dan Duncan, Cydney McChesney, Kelley Smith

The meeting was called to order at 10:38 AM.

Consent Agenda: Minutes of the March council meeting, March Financial Secretary's report,

March Treasurer's report and Learning Team minutes were reviewed. Brian moved to accept all reports, Jim seconded, motion passed.

Financial Secretary's report: \$14,986.46 was given towards operating expenses.

Treasurer's report: Expenses for March were \$16,960.

Pastor's Report: Homecoming service was very well received, Pastor Ron found many of the comments during the service very meaningful. Pastor Ron has had several good conversations with Pr. Jen Keifer, she hopes to spend time with us in June.

Stewardship: Stan Harris attended the meeting to discuss this year's Stewardship campaign. While there is a lot happening with the transition, Stan and council feel that it's important that some kind of campaign be conducted. Stan will begin working on this.

Berkley Historical Museum has asked for permission to scan certain documents relating to Cana's place in the history of the City of Berkley for their collection. Brian moved to allow them to do this, Paula seconded, motion passed.

Pipe Organ: The disposition of the pipe organ is uncertain at the moment; Greenfield Presbyterian is unable to accept it.

Transition: Paula presented an update regarding the progress of our transition to the new worship space. She also reported that she has found a new home for the Medical Supplies Ministry.

Backyard Playroom: Paula reported that the BYPR will be rehomed to First Presbyterian of Royal Oak. The move will happen in early May.

Administrator's Salary: Council discussed the status of Sally's salary after Drayton's departure. Sally currently works for and is paid by both Cana and Drayton. Paula moved that Sally's salary be maintained at the current combined Cana and Drayton level after Drayton dissolves, Brian seconded; motion carried.

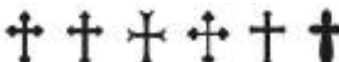
Meeting adjourned at 12:13 PM, next meeting on Sunday, May 19th, following the 10:00 worship.

Respectfully submitted.

Jim Knickerbocker

General Fund			
Treasurer Summary as of 04/30/24			
	Monthly	YTD	Annual
Budget	16,329	163,289	195,947
			% of YTD
	April	Yr to date	budget
Income	7,176	152,642	93%
Expenses	21,720	171,660	105%

Notes:
* Detailed Monthly Treasurer Reports are available at the church office.



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To fathers, grandfathers
and all men who have
had a positive impact on
the lives of your children,
nieces, nephews or
anyone you've influenced

Today is YOUR day!
Celebrate! Relax!
Spend the day with your
family if at all possible.
You are wonderful
You are appreciated
You are loved!
Enjoy your day -
you deserve it!



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Cana/Drayton Worship Times

**Worship Times
Beginning May 5th
in Cana Chapel**

**Cana—10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. Coffee Time**

**Drayton—11:00 a.m.
at 1st Pres Chapel**

**248/543-0767
www.canaelca.org**

