

# “The Reminder”

Fairview Center Church  
1495 90th Street, Monmouth, Illinois 61462

July & August 2026

## PASTOR’S NOTE THIS MONTH BY TINA:

Another VBS is in the books! We had a great time being outdoors (most of the time), creating crafts, playing games, sharing meals together and learning more about the Holy Spirit. Our theme this year was Power Up with the Holy Spirit. Each week we learned something about the Holy Spirit. The first week we focused on who the Holy Spirit is—the third Person of the Trinity—equal with God the Father and Jesus the Son. The Bible uses many symbols to describe the Holy Spirit including a mighty rushing wind (Acts 2:2), flames of fire (Acts 2:3), bubbling water (John 14:13-14) and Comforter (John 14:16). Most importantly we learned that the Holy Spirit is not an it; he is a Person. Week two of VBS the lesson and sermon focused on the Holy Spirit as Comforter. Jesus sent the Spirit not only to comfort and strengthen the disciples but to be present in our daily lives as well. The Holy Spirit brings comfort, strength, truth, discernment, power and courage to us. We cannot see the Holy Spirit but we feel His Presence. The third week we learned the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth (John 16:13). The Spirit cannot lie. He leads us in truth and through truth. The Holy Spirit helps us understand the Word of God. We can ask the Holy Spirit to help us understand Scripture. The Holy Spirit tells the world the truth of who Jesus is, that he is the Son of the Living God, that he came to earth to die for our sins, that he rose again and ascended into Heaven showing us that there is an Afterlife with God. The Holy Spirit as our source of power was the focus for the fourth and final week of VBS. Because the Spirit can dwell within us, we can experience the power of the Holy Spirit. It is through the Holy Spirit that we develop the fruit of the spirit (Hey, get that—the Fruit of the Spirit is named so because they are the Fruit of the Holy Spirit working within us. Had you thought of that before?) The Fruit of the Spirit found in Galatians 5:22-25 is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, fidelity, gentleness and self-control. As we allow the Holy Spirit to lead and work in us, the Fruit of the Spirit is more evident in our lives. Through the Holy Spirit we grow in our walk with Jesus Christ. Are you allowing the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, to be your guide in all aspects of your life?



# VBS 2026

## Power Up with the Holy Spirit



### Mission Statement:

God’s Servants - John 13:1-11; Celebrating Christ - Luke 15:11-32;

Sharing His Love - Matthew 22:34-40; Making Disciples - Matthew 28:16-20

If you have an article, story, or picture to share in the Newsletter, please send it to: [fairviewcenter@gmail.com](mailto:fairviewcenter@gmail.com)

No later than the 20th of the month.

Thank you!

As we continue to broadcast our Worship Service on Facebook Live, there are limitations on what can be streamed. There may be times that the sound will be muted on Facebook Live during the service because it is not legal to rebroadcast certain elements that are copyright protected or may be muted due to confidentiality issues. The sound will return once that part of the service has concluded.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP**

- ◆ Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.
- ◆ Worship Service - 10:00 a.m.  
As the weather permits, our Worship Service will be held in the Pavilion.
- ◆ We continue to offer our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service on Facebook Live.
- ◆ Follow us on  at Fairview Center.

Please take a look at the small bulletin board in the Educational hallway to see current newsletters from: Strom Center, Henderson Settlement, Galesburg Rescue Mission, Navigators, Athletes in Action and Long Journey in Thailand.



Visit our Church Library!  
There are lots of great books to read!

**Fairview Center Church**

**Fairview Center Women’s News:**

**Monday, July 13:** Mary Circle - 1:00 p.m. Hostess: Jan Sprout  
Lesson Leader: Carol Magnuson  
Lesson: “Serving Our Neighbors”, page 58.

**Monday, August 10th:** UWF Brunch 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.  
All are to bring a breakfast dish.  
Hostess: Sandy Shimmin  
Lesson Leader: Ruth Ellen Shimmin  
Lesson: “Well With Our Souls”, page 65.

**Quilters:** Fairview Center Church Quilters meet every Tuesday from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm at Alyce Jenks’ home.

**Fairview Center Church Men’s News:**

**Sunday, July 19th:** Men’s Devotional Group will meet at 8:00 a.m.  
Donuts and coffee will be served.

**Sunday, August 16th:** Men’s Devotional Group will meet at 8:00 a.m.  
Donuts and coffee will be served.

**Fairview Center Church**  
**2026 Head Usher Upcoming Schedule**

July - August 9th: Chad Long  
August 16th - September: Brian Postin  
October - November 8th: Blake Burns  
November 15th - December: Adam Martin

**Birthday Bass Catch!**

For the first time in a long time, Herb spent his birthday, May 26th, fishing.

What a nice catch to celebrate Herb’s special day! Herb’s bass measured 21” and was 6#’s!



## *Prayers & Concerns*

Fairview Center is....**Prayerful!** In this world today, I think everyone would agree with me that there is a lot of prayer needed. Do I hear an amen? Please continue to pray for our country and its leaders, our military and their families, those who struggle with poverty and the homeless, Christians under persecution, our state and local government leaders, the lonely and disheartened, our elderly, healthcare providers, and those who have not experienced the joy of knowing Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. During worship we have also been praying for a number of people. Please continue to pray for:

Those affected by the recent tornados, political and civil unrest in our country; those battling cancer-families & caregivers; students, parents, and school personnel; and those with unspoken concerns.

**Please help us keep this prayer and concern list up-to-date. Please let us know of a misspelled name. Also, let us know if someone has returned to good health. We want this list to be accurate and current. Send information to: [fairviewcenter@gmail.com](mailto:fairviewcenter@gmail.com) Thank you!**

Jay & Alice Benoit  
 Charlie Burns  
 Donald Canada  
 Russell Carlson  
 Mindi Allbee-Diemer  
 Jane Dolieslager  
 Diane Hawk  
 Bonnie Inman  
 Carol Jenks  
 Matthew Kuehn  
 Dorothy Long  
 Lowell Long  
 Lynn Long  
 Becky Marshall  
 Raquel Mercer  
 Jim McCrary  
 Emily Ray McIntyre

Mike McNall  
 Dana Moon  
 Lindsay Murdock  
 Kenny O'Brien  
 Steve Rennison  
 Craig Rima  
 Blaine Robinson  
 Lana Schiefer  
 Eldon Sipes  
 Lane Sipes  
 Elaine Slaughty  
 Russell Stewart  
 Barbara Goff Thomas  
 Russell Trulson  
 Raven Vank  
 Owen Wyatt  
 Joyce, Julie VanSlike's mom

The homeless, afraid, and lonely.  
 Those with unspoken concerns.  
 Those devastated world wide by severe weather.  
 Senseless violence throughout our country.  
 Senseless violence throughout the world.



**If you have immediate need to prayer,  
 please call Pastor Mark  
 at 815-531-9081.**

New devotionals are available:

UPPER ROOM - July & August (regular print)

UPPER ROOM - July & August (large print)

OUR DAILY BREAD - June/July/August (regular print)

These publications can be picked up on a table located in the Education Wing Hallway or on the table located inside the west entryway. If you would like one delivered to you, please send an email to: [fairviewcenter@gmail.com](mailto:fairviewcenter@gmail.com) or call the church at 309-734-2300. Tell us which devotional(s) you would like and the best time for them to be delivered.

**Please help us keep the prayer list up-to-date.**

Contact the church if you would like to add a name, make a correction, or remove a name.

# *“Celebrating Our Special Days”*

## July

### Birthdays

2. Bev Clark  
Taylor May
3. Carly Kettmann  
Tammee (Higbee) Peterson  
Hal Tate, Jr.
4. Pat Giddings  
Adam Long  
Brian Robinson
5. Tami Smock
7. Torrey Carnes  
Ron Manuel  
Kathy Sheagren  
Katie (Kuppler) Wavering
8. Rev. Robert Taylor
10. Kay (Sprout) Jenks  
Karl Kuppler  
Tyler Shimmin
13. Hudson Wanck
14. Dustin Frost  
Rick Inman
15. Dustin Gipe
16. Rev. Gabe Wanck
19. Baylee Crain
20. Scott Shoemaker
22. Richard Carlson  
Betty Frost
23. Ben Long
24. Sandy Folkerts
27. Ryan Peirce  
Adam Robinson
28. Mackenzie Smock
29. Sherri Ault  
Eugene Inman  
Velda Shimmin
31. Candy Conard



### Anniversaries

1. Adam & Regina (Long) Sanberg '22  
Steve & Ruth Ellen (Ault) Shimmin '67
4. Jerry & Tami Smock '02
12. Dennis & Joyce Higgins '14
14. M/M Tony Gavin '07
15. Tony & Kim (Shimmin) Crain '89  
Adam & Julie Martin '06
25. M/M Wayne Ray
27. Torrey & Pat Conard '84  
Jeff & Trisha (Jenks) Place
30. Phil & Nancy Kuhnkey '71
31. M/M Richard Likes '10  
Russell & Maxine Stewart '55

### July Baptism Birthdays

Bailey (Shimmin) Hill 07.01.2001  
Molly (Henson) Dawson 07.29.2012  
Jill Henson 07.29.2012  
Cecily Conard 07.30.1995

Happy heavenly birthday to all our family and friends.

*“Your life was a blessing,  
your memory a treasure.  
You are loved beyond words  
and missed beyond measure.”*

- Renee Wood

Please notify the church office of any names which need to be added, corrected, or removed.

*Thank you!*

# "Celebrating Our Special Days"

## Birthdays

1. Bonnie Inman
2. Barry Smith
3. Mindy (Gavin) Barksdale  
Steven Cridelich  
Mason Jenks
4. Joyce Long  
Bill Simpson
5. Susan Higbee  
Megan Moore
6. Charles H. Wavering
7. Lowell Long  
Michael Long
9. Paula See
10. Heath Giddings
12. Rev. Jim Brown
13. Chris Elliott  
Linda Shimmin
14. Dakota Farris  
Dakota Wilson
15. Dustin Eltenmiller  
Tony Gavin
16. Carol Magnuson  
Alyssa Smock
17. Justin Endsley  
Abbie Ray
20. Amber Hawk  
Jackie Jenks
21. Fran Bost  
Jamie Ruberg  
Joel Ruberg  
Ed Smock
23. Keith Sipes
24. Martin Edward Inman  
Cynthia Sipes
25. Janet Underwood
26. Danielle (Sprout) Carter  
Maiya Jazwierska
27. Seth Cridelich  
Kelly Shimmin
30. Jane Dolieslager  
Hunter Slater
31. Donald Carlson  
Dan Green  
Tom Smock  
Kyle Stewart

# August



## Anniversaries

1. M/M David Reid  
Sid & Margaret (Shoemaker) Vaughn
2. Bill & Caroline (Jenks) Ault '63
4. Richard & Wendy (Stewart) Brokaw  
Brian & Emily Higbee  
M/M Gary Lee
8. M/M Brian Clark  
M/M George Mohr  
Curt & Sandy (Davis) Shimmin '64
11. Dana & Janice Poole  
Rev. Deb & Bret Talbott
14. Andy & Jackie Jenks
15. M/M/ Brad Clark
16. Revs. Gabe & Sarah Wanck
17. David & Alyce (Robinson) Jenks '69
20. Tab & Candy Conard
21. Milo & Jan Sprout '71
22. Ben & Joyce Long
27. Bill & Karen (Jenks) Robinson

## August Baptism Birthdays

- Delaney Burns 08.03.2008  
Owen Jenks 08.04.2002  
Brittany Conard 08.05.1990  
Nolan Jenks 08.10.2008  
Janice Poole 08.12.1962  
Tamara Conard 08.17.1958  
Mark Parrish 08.17.1958  
Jennifer (Shimmin) Bratcher 08.21.2005  
Hudson Wanck 08.28.2011

It's not the years in your life that count.  
It's the life in your years.  
Abraham Lincoln