

# UCPC Community Care Line

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## July 2017

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Rachel Thomas - Jul 3  
Isa Smith - Jul 7  
Flora Wiltse - Jul 7  
Kyle Hackett - Jul 11  
Milt Wiltse - Jul 11  
Betty Ann Baer - Jul 28



Jim & Muffie Durst - Jul 19  
Matthew & Melissa Bierer - Jul 28

## Pastor's Note

Church Family,

I turn fifty this year, and I had to stop to consider if that had any correlation with how fast 2017 is whirling past. 2017 seems to have a time booster that picked up the pace to where we can barely keep up. This year was so out of balance between Chronos and Kairos time, that honestly, I began to worry I was going to miss an Alaska summer vacation.

But in our moments of wonderment, God sends timely angels to give us what we need, when we need it. On June 18th, pastor Lois Hildenbrand asked if July 2nd might be a good date for her to fill our pulpit. That timely gift was a perfect example of Kairos timing; I had three days already on the calendar and so it was easy for me to just back up the following week and take off for family fun. Kairos timing is God's timing, it is the ebb and flow of the seasons not measured in days, weeks, and months but rather as the natural change from spring to summer, summer to fall and fall to winter and back around again. Kairos timing is the opportune moment like Pastor Lois filling the pulpit, so I can take a vacation.

The reason this is such a big deal; however, is because I have been living in Chronos time too much this year. Trying to keep track of committee meetings, school concerts, pastor meetings, worship deadlines and responsibilities to church, family and community. Somehow my soul got lost in the hour to hour living without the Spiritual renewal that we receive by living in the Kairos moments. Kairos time is living in harmony with God, going with the flow of the Holy Spirit and knowing the grace of Jesus Christ.

With that blessing, I will leave you with God's own Kairos opportunity revealed in Revelation 1:1-3.

"The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place; he made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testified to the Word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw. Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of the prophecy, and blessed are those who hear and who keep what is written in it; for the time is near."

Blessings,  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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**Room Abbr. Key :**  
 CE= Old Basement  
 FH = Fellowship Hall  
 C = Conference Room  
 OL=Office Lounge  
 M= Music Room  
 N=Narthex  
 S = Sanctuary  
 HS=High School Room  
 L = Lounge



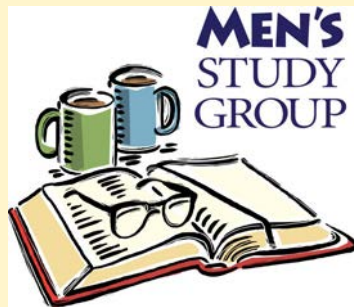
1.  
 VISIONS group  
 leaving at Noon (FH)

2. <b>10:30AM</b> Worship Service (S)  <b>2:00PM</b> Russian Church (S)	3. <b>7:30AM</b> Women's Breakfast (Denny's)  <b>5:30PM</b> 12 Step (M)  <b>8:00PM</b> Gospel Group (S)	4. INDEPENDENCE DAY Church Office Closed  <b>6:30AM</b> Men's Coffee (N) <b>6:30PM</b> Boy Scout Troup 1 (CE) <b>8:00PM</b> AA (L)	5. <b>12:00PM</b> Bulletin Deadline  <b>5:30PM</b> Tai Chi Classes (CE)	6. <b>12:00PM</b> Prayer Group (C) <b>1:00PM</b> Donna Henry (M)  <b>5:30PM</b> AI Anon (HS) <b>5:30PM</b> Deacons (C) <b>6:30PM</b> Sweet Adelines (CE)	7.      <b>7:00PM</b> Russian Church (M)  <b>8:30PM</b> NA (L)	8.
9. <b>10:30AM</b> Worship Service (S)  <b>2:00PM</b> Russian Church (S)	10. <b>5:30PM</b> 12 Step (M)  <b>8:00PM</b> Gospel Group (S)	11. <b>6:30AM</b> Men's Coffee (N)  <b>6:30PM</b> Boy Scout Troup 1 (CE) <b>7:15PM</b> Mission & Outreach Mtg (C) <b>8:00PM</b> AA (L)	12. <b>12:00PM</b> Bulletin Deadline  <b>4:00PM</b> Interfaith Meeting (C) <b>5:30PM</b> Tai Chi Classes (CE) <b>6:15PM</b> Worship Committee Meeting (C)	13. <b>12:00PM</b> Prayer Group (C) <b>1:00PM</b> Donna Henry (M) <b>5:15PM</b> Faith Development Mtg (C) <b>5:30PM</b> AI Anon (HS) <b>6:30PM</b> Sweet Adelines (CE) <b>6:30PM</b> Session (L)	14.      <b>7:00PM</b> Russian Church (M)  <b>8:30PM</b> NA (L)	15.
16. <b>10:30AM</b> Worship In the Park (Tanana Lakes)  <b>2:00PM</b> Russian Church (S)	17. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>7:30AM</b> Women's Breakfast (Denny's)  <b>5:30PM</b> 12 Step (M) <b>7:00PM</b> Finance Meeting (N) <b>8:00PM</b> Gospel Group (S)	18. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>6:30AM</b> Men's Coffee (N)  <b>6:30PM</b> Boy Scout Troup 1 (CE) <b>8:00PM</b> AA (L)	19. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>12:00PM</b> Bulletin Deadline  <b>5:30PM</b> Tai Chi Classes (CE)	20. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>12:00PM</b> Prayer Group (C) <b>1:00PM</b> Donna Henry (M)  <b>5:30PM</b> AI Anon (HS) <b>6:30PM</b> Sweet Adelines (CE)	21. <b>FSAF</b>     <b>7:00PM</b> Russian Church (M)  <b>8:30PM</b> NA (L)	22.
23. <b>10:30AM</b> Worship Service (S)  <b>2:00PM</b> Russian Church (S)	24. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>5:30PM</b> 12 Step (M)  <b>8:00PM</b> Gospel Group (S)	25. Newsletter Info Due <b>FSAF</b>  <b>6:30AM</b> Men's Coffee (N)  <b>6:30PM</b> Boy Scout Troup 1 (CE) <b>8:00PM</b> AA (L)	26. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>12:00PM</b> Bulletin Deadline  <b>5:30PM</b> Tai Chi Classes (CE)	27. <b>FSAF</b>  <b>12:00PM</b> Prayer Group (C) <b>1:00PM</b> Donna Henry (M)  <b>5:30PM</b> AI Anon (HS) <b>6:30PM</b> Sweet Adelines (FH)	28. <b>FSAF</b>     <b>7:00PM</b> Russian Church (M)  <b>8:30PM</b> NA (L)	29.      Back to School Event with Greater New Hope
30. <b>10:30AM</b> Worship Service (S)  <b>2:00PM</b> Russian Church (S)	31. <b>7:30AM</b> Women's Breakfast (Denny's)  <b>5:30PM</b> 12 Step (M)  <b>8:00PM</b> Gospel Group (S)					

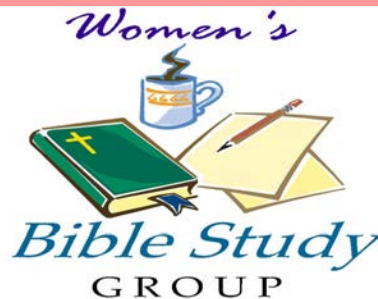
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## ***Announcements & Events***

**Elder of the Month for July is Lucile Hackett**



Meets at  
6:30 a.m.  
in the  
Narthex every  
Tuesday.



Meets every other  
Monday  
7:30 a.m. @ Denny's  
on Airport Way

We will meet  
July 3rd, 17th, & 31st

**Sunday School for all ages  
resumes in August.**

You can view the  
**Upcoming Sunday Bulletin**  
on our web page each week  
[www.ucpcfairbanks.org](http://www.ucpcfairbanks.org)  
Click on the link on our home page.  
It will be available each Friday after  
1pm.

**7th Annual Love INC Love Cruise  
July 16**

**Boarding at 6:30pm**

**A relaxing ride down the Chena aboard Riverboat Discovery,  
Music by Great Land Sounds, dinner catered by your favorite  
local restaurants. Best of all a Silent auction with great items all  
to benefit Love In the Name of Christ.**

**Tickets \$60**

**Tickets available online,  
at Good News Bible & Book Store  
or by texting keyword CHENA to 41444.**

## *Worship & Picnic in the park*

Join us Sunday, July 16th, at 10:30 a.m. for worship and a picnic in the park..

We will be meeting at Tanana Lakes Recreation area for praise, food, and fellowship. **Please bring a chair to sit on and a side or dessert to share.** The fellowship committee will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, and drinks.

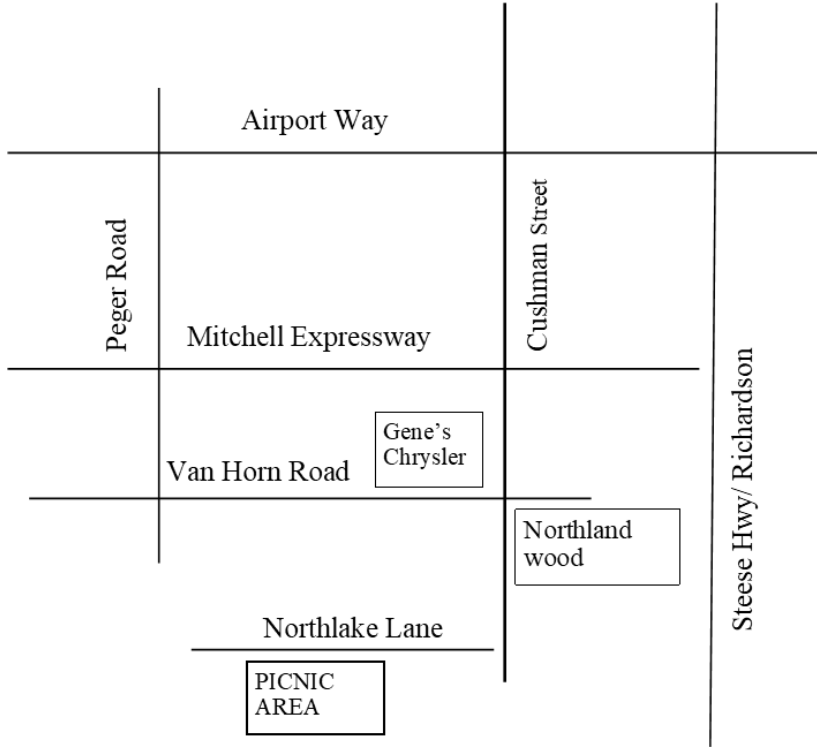
Directions to Tanana Lakes:

From the Mitchell Expressway– take the South Cushman exit, turn Right on Cushman.

From the Steese Hwy– Southbound– take the Cushman exit, turn Left on Cushman.

From the Richardson/Steese– Northbound– take the Old Richardson exit, turn Left on Cushman.

Take South Cushman St. to the end. Once the pavement stops, it is 3/10ths of a mile to Northlake Lane, turn right. The picnic area is a 1/2 mile back, on the left. There are signs that point the way.



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## Prayer: Brief Thoughts and Quotes

By Larry Johnson

Sometimes we forget or act like we are not bodily creatures. However, God created each one of us as a physical, as well as, a mental and spiritual being. Our prayer lives can be enriched when we acknowledge and incorporate our bodies into our prayers. Most of us, either consciously, or unconsciously use particular bodily actions when we pray- folding our hands, closing our eyes, kneeling, etc.

Gunilla Norris in **Simple Ways: towards the sacred** talks of embodying our prayers.

“Our bodies can help and can be avenues of prayer, for God is there in us closer than our hands or our feet. Having bodies we are invited to be incarnated spirit. We can come to learn to be conscious of our bodies as holy, as homes for spirit. That awareness alone can change how we live..... To be fully alive, fully embodied is a living prayer.”

Perhaps experiment with some new embodied prayers. When you feel moved to praise, raise your arms up as you praise; when you receive a gift of love, healing, or wisdom from God receive it with open hands and then move your hands to bring it into your heart. Others find it helpful to pray as they walk, visualizing God’s love coming in with each inspiration and tensions, angers, and pains flowing out with each expiration. Don’t be afraid to explore to find bodily rhythms and actions that feel comfortable and helpful for you.



# UCPC Session News

## Highlights from Session Meeting of June 15th, 2017

1. Worship: Worked on plans for the worship in the park on July 16th at Tanana Lakes.
2. Finance Treasurer's and Stewardship Report: Account balances on June 11, 2017:
  - a. Operating Account: \$53,781
  - b. Designated account: \$75,340
  - c. Fuel account was \$874
  - d. Savings account at Wells Fargo \$504.
  - e. Credit card \$7.00 outstanding balance. Note balances are automatically zeroed at the end of the month.
  - f. We have paid all bills presented. Our financial situation is satisfactory.
  - g. Income from pledges, loose offerings and rents:
    - i. April \$23,264
    - ii. May \$14,570
    - iii. June \$14,793 for the first 2 Sundays
3. Faith Development: Women's retreat went very well. Working on a back to school event with Greater New Hope COGIC on July 29th.
4. Building Stewards: During the last half of June and July there are many projects planned. Will begin working to improve lighting in the parking lot, the scouts will begin railing painting, elevator repairs are being done, replacement of the fire alarm panel, and thinning of the undergrowth and trees in the prayer garden.
5. Mission and Service: Are hoping to have the Whites, our mission coworkers from Germany, speak at the church while they are visiting Alaska. There are 4 people interested in going to work on the Gambell church.
6. Heard a presentation from Jason Kempthorne from Love, INC regarding a new ministry program they are hoping to start this year which will work with homeless families.

### Session Meeting Schedule:

Thursday, July 13, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.



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Brian Dixon 452-2651 ~ Class of 2018  
Doreen McNeill 488-8262 ~ Class of 2018  
Roger Smith 479-8341 ~ Class of 2018  
Melissa Bierer 474-0106 ~ Class of 2019  
Jim Durst 479-8191 ~ Class of 2019  
Larry Johnson 479-4766 ~ Class of 2019

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