

The "E Messenger"
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We are grateful for the ministry of Barrie Congregational Church of Walcott. We would ask that God's gracious Spirit might continue to be with the members of this rural congregation and their pastor, Charles Belzer.

On this Sunday let us unite in our prayers of support for our mission partner the Protestant church of East Timor as they elect a leader. We pray for God's gracious Spirit to be with them at this critical time, and for our covenant in Jesus the Christ to continue to be strong as we commit to walking together into God's future. Let us also hold in prayer Jim Moos as he concludes his visit to East Timor.

The mission project for this year was the Roland Richter/Jack Seville Licensed Ministry Fund. While we still have some funds coming in, the total that we have received thus far is \$4795.15. Thanks to your support we will come to a point where the interest from this fund will be able to assist lay members of the Northern Plains Conference who wish to serve in Jesus' name by becoming a licensed pastor. Any who have not as of yet donated to this fund are invited to do so.

The NPCUCC Disaster Ministry is in place and working with others to respond to the needs of Rolla and Belcourt as they recover from the tornado that did significant damage to their communities. Please take a moment and look over the email message that was sent out earlier Wednesday to familiarize yourself with the work that is being done and the opportunities that you have to serve. If you have questions do not hesitate to call the Conference Office or Rev. Lindy Holt, NPCUCC Disaster Coordinator, 701 430 0727.

This Sunday the members of the United Church of Christ of Flasher and their pastor, Dale Carmen, will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Congregation. All who would wish to share in this special event are invited to attend the 10:30 am (ct) service of worship or to send greetings to the Congregation and Pastor.

Last Sunday it was my pleasure to lead worship with the members of the Salem United Church of Christ of New Salem. I want to thank them for the warm reception and enthusiastic participation they brought to the service (they even had a choir). May God's gracious blessing be with them as they continue to search for pastoral leadership.

For all who have not already done so, it is time to register for the pastor's workshop, August 22 – 23 in Medina. While there is no charge for the program or meals, the lodging is the responsibility of the participants. It is important that

you make reservations so that we can be prepared for meals and program materials. It is also important that you call the Conference Office so that we can make the room reservations. The Theme for the workshop is “God Is Still Speaking, “Do Not Be Afraid”.

Date	Time	Event	Location
7/11	-----	CM on Vacation	-----
7/12	-----	CM on Vacation	-----
7/13	10:30 am (ct)	CM shares in worship	Flasher Centennial Service
7/14	11:00 am (ct)	Central Cluster	Valley City
7/16	12:00 Noon (ct)	Progressive Faith Network	Bismarck
7/19	12:00 Noon (ct)	Alternate Paths Lunch with licensed pastors	Bismarck
7/20	10:30 am (ct)	Commemorative service for 100 th anniversary of Church Building	St. John, Hebron
7/20	2:30 pm (ct)	100 th Anniversary and service of closure for Bethel UCC of rural New Salem	Rural New Salem