

The "E Messenger"

Notes and Comments by Wade 092010

Yesterday I had the pleasure of joining in worship with the members of Union Congregational United Church of Hankinson. I want to thank them and their pastor, Phyllis Hagen, for the joy we shared in worship and for the warmth that was a part of the fellowship that followed. One of the special moments was when Pastor Hagen received her plaque celebrating 10 years of licensure as a pastor in the NPC.

This past weekend the women of the NPC gathered at Camp of the Cross for the Annual Women's Retreat. Guided by Stephen Holmes pastor of Garrison, Susan Blain of the national Church and Elaine Blanchard, Story Teller, they shared in fellowship, worship and study as they grew in spirit and in their sense of community. I wish to thank all who shared in this special gathering for their work and support.

This weekend the multiple paths group, those lay pastors on the track for ordination through the NPC, will be gathering in Valley City for meetings and classes with instructors from United Theological Seminary. Thanks to the support of the National Church and United Theological Seminary, this program opens the door for many to grow in their capacity for service in the name of our redeemer. Your prayerful support and guidance is sought.

The Shaping Prairie Hospitality workshop with Charlene J. Smith was an opportunity for all to explore what it meant to share radical hospitality in towns, small and large. The next gatherings will be on WebEx. Any who were not at the meeting in Jamestown but would like to share in the WebEx meetings are invited to prepare for the WebEx meeting, by working through the power point presentation that was shared at the meeting. If you would like to receive the presentation, please call the Conference Office. If you wish, I would also be interested in going through it with you.

This coming Sunday Rose Trenbeath will be installed as the pastor for the Horizon Parish. The service of Installation will take place at the Fair Building in Carson. Our prayers of support go to Rose and the congregations of this ecumenical parish.

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Date	Time	Event	Location
9/20	9:00 am (ct)	NDCC	Bismarck/ABC
9/22	10:00 am (ct)	MV Cluster	New Salem
9/24	5:30 pm (ct)	Multiple Paths to Ordination	Valley City

9/25	9:00 am (ct)	Multiple Paths to Ordination	Valley City
9/26	10:00 am (mt)	Installation Service for Rose Trenbeath	Carson