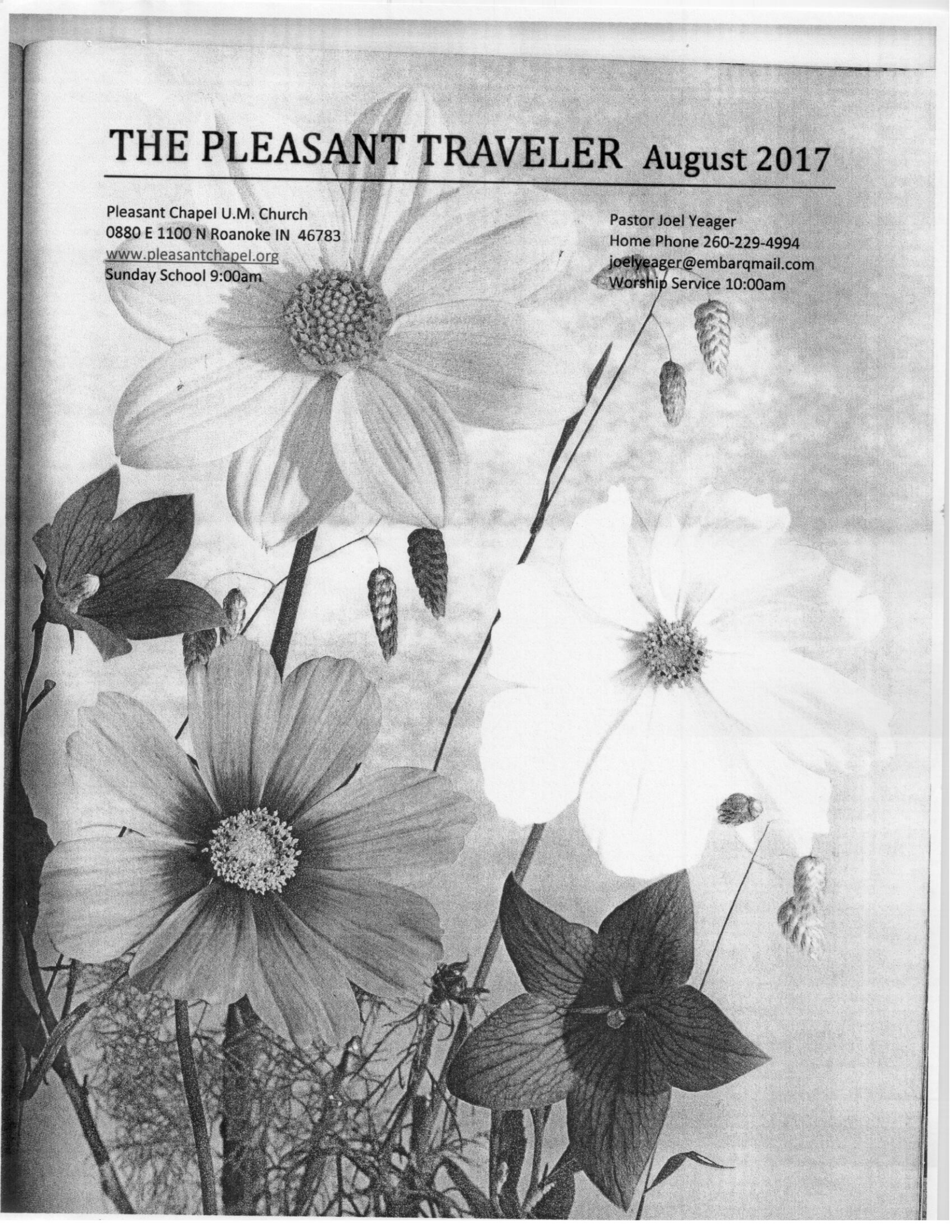


THE PLEASANT TRAVELER August 2017

Pleasant Chapel U.M. Church
0880 E 1100 N Roanoke IN 46783
www.pleasantchapel.org
Sunday School 9:00am

Pastor Joel Yeager
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Worship Service 10:00am





"Back to School!" It is that time of year again. No doubt it is a time that ushers in a variety of emotions - *excitement* for students eager to get back to their friends and activities, *excitement* for some parents to get their kids out of the house (I love those commercials where the parents are partying as they are so ready for their kids to go back), and then there are feelings of *hesitancy* as all know that school is work and effort for students, parents and teachers.

There is a freshness to the beginning of the school year where the buildings are cleaned and painted, classrooms have new decorations and bulletin boards, students often have new clothes, haircuts and school supplies. Then the work begins, the process of moving students from where they are to where they can be. Students work to acquire skills academically, athletically, and socially with the hopes that one day each student will be able to do great things with the skills they have and become the great people they were created to be.

Learning and striving for new skills and knowledge does not stop at some graduation point however. Often times *learning*, for some, is what "I used to do." I think that kind of attitude is unfortunate. I believe this learning thing is what we are to do always. Especially in our faith journey. We are to be constantly learning, growing, and acquiring skills to do kingdom work.

When Jesus commissioned his followers to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (**Matthew 28:19**), "disciples" are not people who merely sign their names to a belief statement. Being a disciple is more than just saying you are in agreement with the claims that Christianity makes. *Disciple* means *learner*. Part of the definition of that original word *disciple* is "to become a pupil." I believe that to mean that, when we claim to be a disciple, we are claiming to be a pupil, a learner, a student. This is a continuous thing. Do we know all the things there is to know about God? Are we fully developed into the people we were created to be? Can we not get any better at the skills we have as workers in God's kingdom? Clearly we are to keep learning and keep becoming. We are to be going "Back to School!" every day. We, therefore, are eager to learn more about God, sharpen our skills and gifts, and allow our character to be developed by him.

So, I hope that this time of year, this *Back to School!* season, inspires ALL of us to remember that we are all students, all learners, all people becoming the people God created us to be.

To Pleasant Chapel's students, parents, grandparents and teachers: It is my hope and prayer that this school year will be wonderfully rewarding!

CALENDAR

- August 3 - Northern Gospel Singing Convention
4 at Marion, IN - See details
5 elsewhere in this issue.
- August 7 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.
- August 9 - United Methodist Women at 1:00 pm. at the church.
- August 13 - United Methodist Women Thank Offering.
- August 14 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.
- August 19 - Taste of Roanoke from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. in Roanoke. See details elsewhere in this issue.
- August 20 - Love Unity Feast at Hier's Park in Heritage Hall Building.
- August 21 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30 pm.
- August 28 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30 pm.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Taste of Roanoke on Saturday, August 19 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. in Roanoke on Main Street. We will serve spanish hot dogs and root beer floats. Donations of canned root beer, money and workers are needed. Please see Rolla Parsons and Matt Law for this.

Child-Care is now being provided during the worship service each Sunday for children up to and including first grade. Also, if anyone is interested in helping with the children on any Sunday, please talk to Cory Ayers.

Mission Offering - Special offerings for missions from Pleasant Chapel for the months of July, August and September are Habitat for Humanity, Indiana Children's Home and UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). When giving for these missions please write "Missions" in the memo on your check or on the outside of the church envelope. Make checks payable to Pleasant Chapel United Methodist Church.

Congratulations to all the 4-Hers from Pleasant Chapel. We hope you enjoyed all your projects. We know you worked hard.

Thank you from Dale & Olean Sheets for all of the anniversary cards they received for their 72nd wedding anniversary. Also, thank you for the birthday cards Dale received for his 96th birthday. They appreciated the cards very much. Our prayers for God's special blessings for Dale & Olean from your Pleasant Church Church Family.

Our sympathy, love and prayers from your Pleasant Chapel Church Family to Joyce & Larry Hand in the death of Joyce's sister, Sharon Myjak, who died on June 19, 2017 in Wyoming, Michigan.

Love Unity Feast on Sunday, August 20 at the Heritage Hall Building at Hier's Park in Huntington. Time is 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Cost is \$8.50 for adults and children 10 years and younger is \$4.00. Proceeds from this helps support LOVE, INC.

United Methodist Women

The Pleasant Chapel UMW met at the home of Jill Law on July 12 at 7:00 pm.

President Jill Law opened the meeting by reading "What a Woman is Supposed to Be" from the Bible and then read from the Mission Messenger an article written by Bonnie Elam, UMW District Secretary.

Roll call was answered by telling "your favorite color". Minutes were read and approved. Treasurer's report was given.

Officer's reports: Spiritual Growth: Cynthia Chesterman read from Psalms and talked about things that people do for each other that are so special and then read from a book titled "Bible Promises to Live By" from our UMW Library. Cards & Flowers: Nancy Buckingham - we signed cards to send to shut-ins and friends.

Unfinished Business: Jill & Cynthia are checking on something we could do as a "special outing" in the near future.

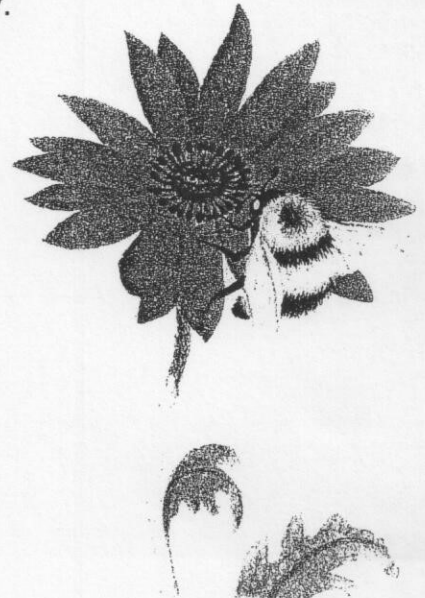
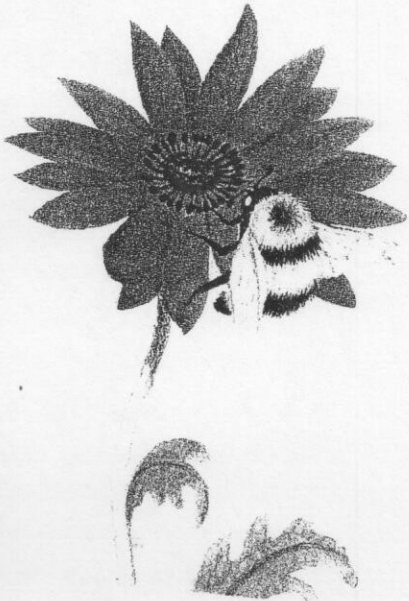
Program: Jill presented a lesson on Lydia and other women in the Bible from the Program Book.

Jill then served delicious refreshments to seven ladies.

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The Power of One

One song can spark a moment
One flower can wake the dream
One tree can start a forest
One bird can herald spring
One smile begins a friendship,
One moment can make one fall in luv.
One star can guide a ship at sea,
One word can frame the goal
One vote can change a nation,
One sunbeam lights a room
One candle wipes out darkness,
One laugh will conquer gloom.
One step must start each journey.
One word must start each prayer.
One hope will raise our spirits,
One touch can show you care.
One voice can speak with wisdom,
One heart can know what's true,
One life can make a difference,
You see, it's up to you!





AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - Nicole Colclessner
 - Morgan Fritchman
- 5 - Wendall Law
- 6 - Derrick Fields
- 9 - Jim Bowman
 - Kari Hines
- 12 - Dan Hunter
- 15 - Pam Fields
- 17 - Pastor Joel
- 18 - Matt Johnson
- 19 - Matt Hicks
- 24 - Jill Robertson
- 25 - Abram Butler
- 26 - Nancy Lutz Scott
- 28 - Rev. Rex Charles
- 30 - Joyce Hand
 - Jennifer Sherbahn
 - Reece Colclessner
- 31 - Julie Wegmann

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIE

- 2 - Richard & Vicki Giorda
- 4 - Ned & Janell Simons
- 8 - Mark & Noelle Schlecht
- 19 - Tom & Sherry Rupert

AUGUST GREETERS

- 6 - Jim & Cynthia
- 13 - Dale & Sue
- 20 - Tammy S. & Julie
- 27 - Dale & Sue

AUGUST ACCOLYTES

- 6 - Colclessers
- 13 - Pauls
- 20 - Amicks
- 27 - Hands

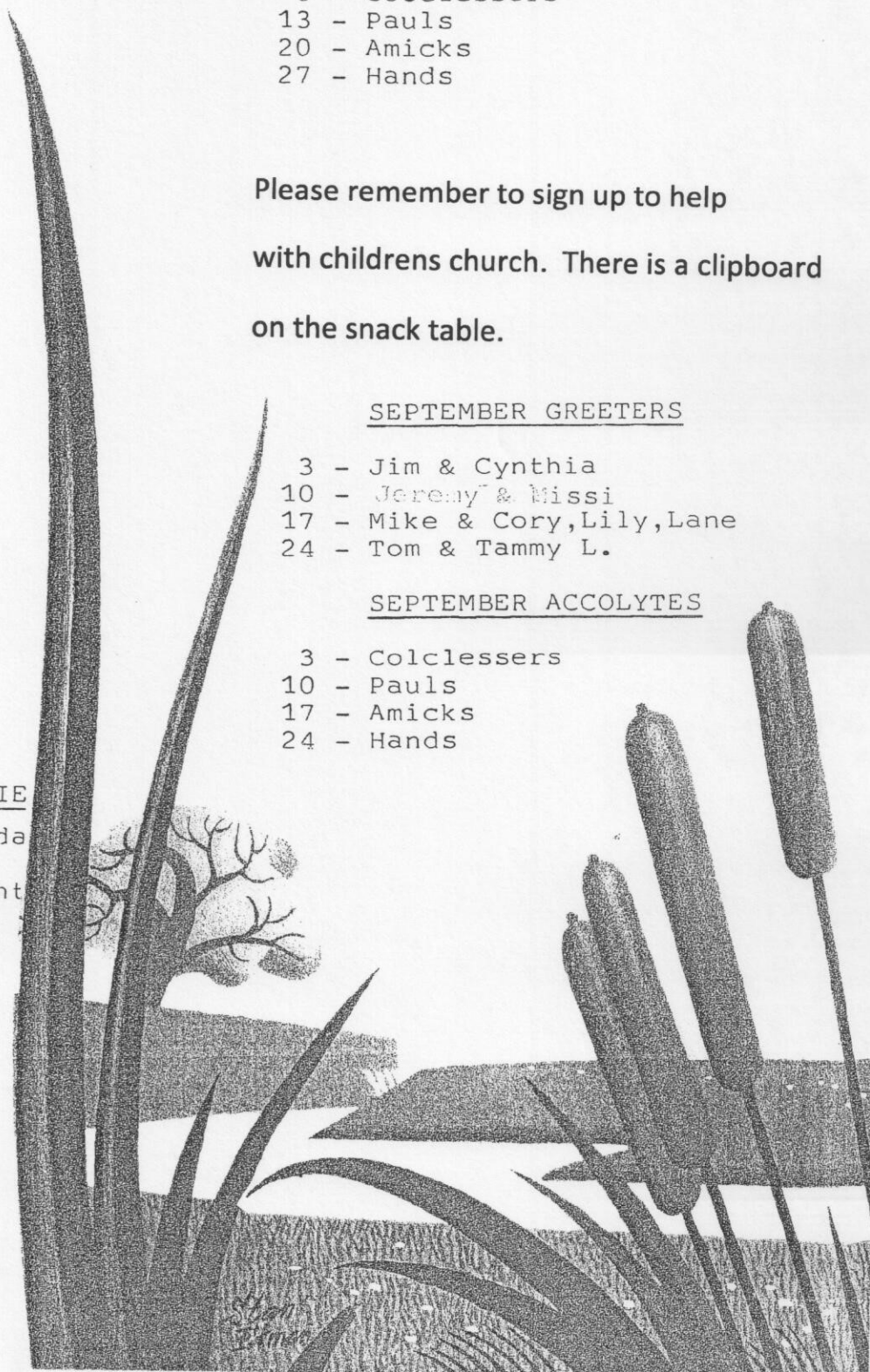
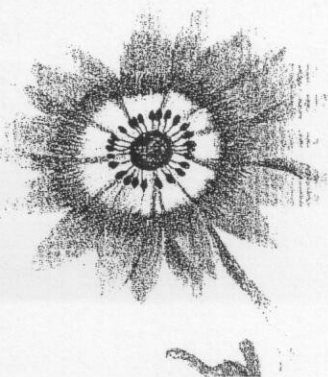
Please remember to sign up to help
with childrens church. There is a clipboard
on the snack table.

SEPTEMBER GREETERS

- 3 - Jim & Cynthia
- 10 - Jeremy & Missi
- 17 - Mike & Cory, Lily, Lane
- 24 - Tom & Tammy L.

SEPTEMBER ACCOLYTES

- 3 - Colclessers
- 10 - Pauls
- 17 - Amicks
- 24 - Hands



**PLEASANT CHAPEL
OFFERING & EXPENSE REPORT
JUNE 2017**

2016 OPENING CHECKING BALANCE	\$9,095.94
TRANSFERS FROM SAVINGS	\$0.00
TRANSFERS TO SAVINGS	\$8,000.00
CHURCH OFFERING	\$38,425.29
COMMUNITY AID OFFERING	\$0.00
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	\$1,980.00
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING	\$0.00
VBS OFFERING	\$100.00
BIRTHDAY OFFERING	\$8.00
TRAVELLER OFFERING	\$25.00
MEMORIAL OFFERING	\$0.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$40,538.29
AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING	\$1,621.53
NEEDED EACH WEEK	\$940.00
OVERAGE OR DEFICIT	\$681.53

	2017 ACTUAL	2017 BUDGET	PERCENT SPENT	DOLLARS REMAINING
SPECIALS PAID TO IC	\$660.00	\$2,080.00	31.73%	\$1,420.00
TITHE/APPORTIONMENTS	\$4,234.51	\$7,000.00	60.49%	\$2,765.49
ASS. CHURCHES-BIBLES	\$0.00	\$200.00	0.00%	\$200.00
BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES	\$348.35	\$500.00	69.67%	\$151.65
CUSTODIAN	\$1,050.00	\$2,100.00	50.00%	\$1,050.00
GUEST MINISTER	\$300.00	\$600.00	50.00%	\$300.00
INSURANCE PROPERTY	\$3,387.00	\$3,500.00	96.77%	\$113.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$147.83	\$500.00	29.57%	\$352.17
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$208.99	\$500.00	41.80%	\$291.01
PASTOR'S COMPENSATION	\$ 7,335.60	\$16,000.00	45.85%	\$8,664.40
PASTOR'S EXPENSES	\$ 832.88	\$2,000.00	41.64%	\$1,167.12
PLEASANT CHAPEL FOUND./Tru	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$1,534.81	\$700.00	219.26%	(\$834.81)
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES	\$227.68	\$950.00	23.97%	\$722.32
WORSHIP/EVANG. COMMITTEE	\$321.52	\$450.00	71.45%	\$128.48
CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE	\$0.00	\$100.00	0.00%	\$100.00
NON UMC Charities	\$1,160.00	\$0.00	0.00%	(\$1,160.00)
UMW	\$25.00	\$25.00	100.00%	\$0.00
CHURCH LIGHTS	\$934.00	\$2,500.00	37.36%	\$1,566.00
CHURCH FUEL	\$2,074.90	\$6,000.00	34.58%	\$3,925.10
TELEPHONE	\$349.97	\$850.00	41.17%	\$500.03
KAREN'S CHRISTMAS FUND	\$227.63	\$442.00	51.50%	\$214.37
UM MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%	\$1,000.00
COMMUNITY AID FUND	\$0.00	\$300.00	0.00%	\$300.00
SCHOLARSHIPS	\$660.75	\$600.00	110.13%	(\$60.75)
	\$26,021.42	\$48,897.00	53.22%	\$22,875.58

AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES \$1,040.86 \$940.00

WEEK 25

BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2017 \$13,499.81
SAVINGS ACCOUNT AS OF JUNE 30, 2017 \$48,069.37
SAVINGS ACCOUNT AS OF DEC. 31, 2016 \$40,053.24

JOHN ROGERS, TREASURER

PASTOR'S COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN

HOUSING ALLOWANCE \$ - Pretax
GROSS WAGES \$ 7,335.60
TOTAL COMPENSATION \$ 7,335.60

Somewhere the Child

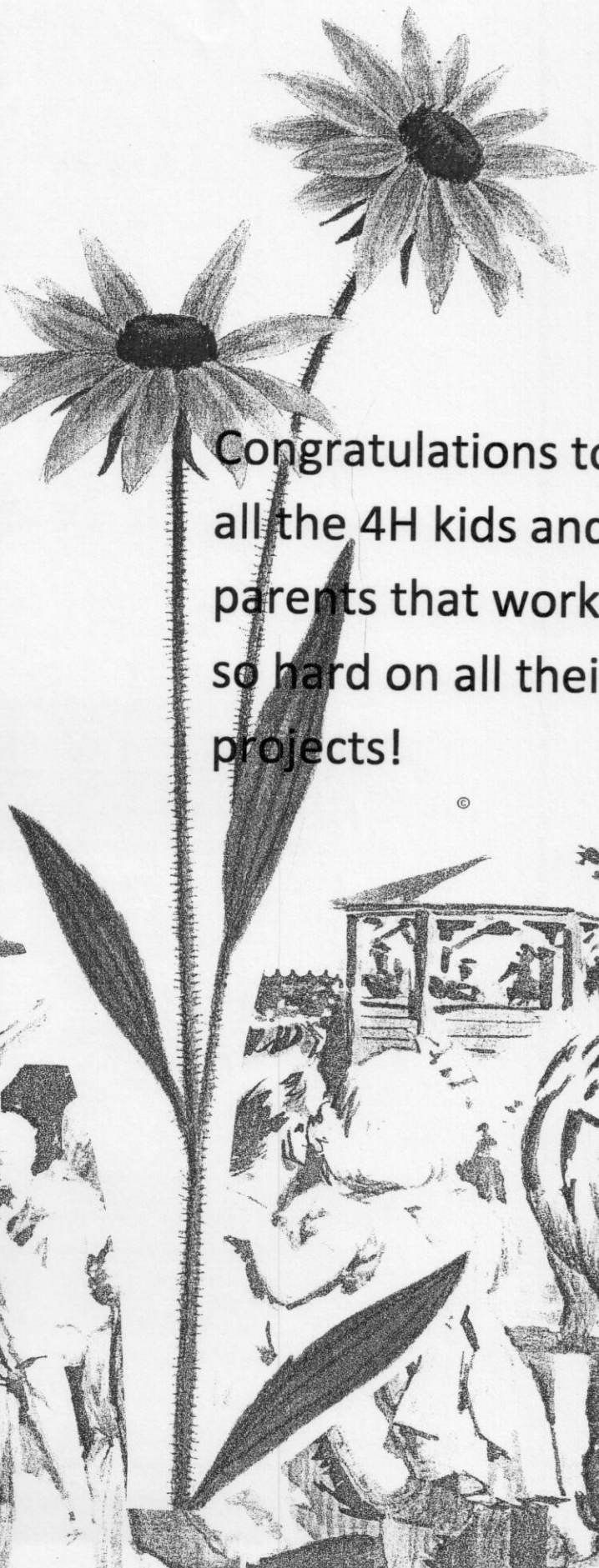
Kale Douglas Wiggin

Among the thousands of tiny things . . . Growing up all over the land . . . Some of them under my very wing . . . Watched and tended, unwatched and untended, loved, unloved, protected from danger, thrust into temptation . . . Among them somewhere is the child who will write the novel . . . That will stir men's hearts to nobler issues . . . And incite them to better deeds.

There is the child who will paint the greatest picture . . . Or carve the greatest statue of the age . . . Another who will deliver his country in an hour of peril . . . Another who will give his life for a great principle . . . And another born more of the spirit than of the flesh . . . Who will live continually on the heights of moral being . . . And dying, draw men after him.

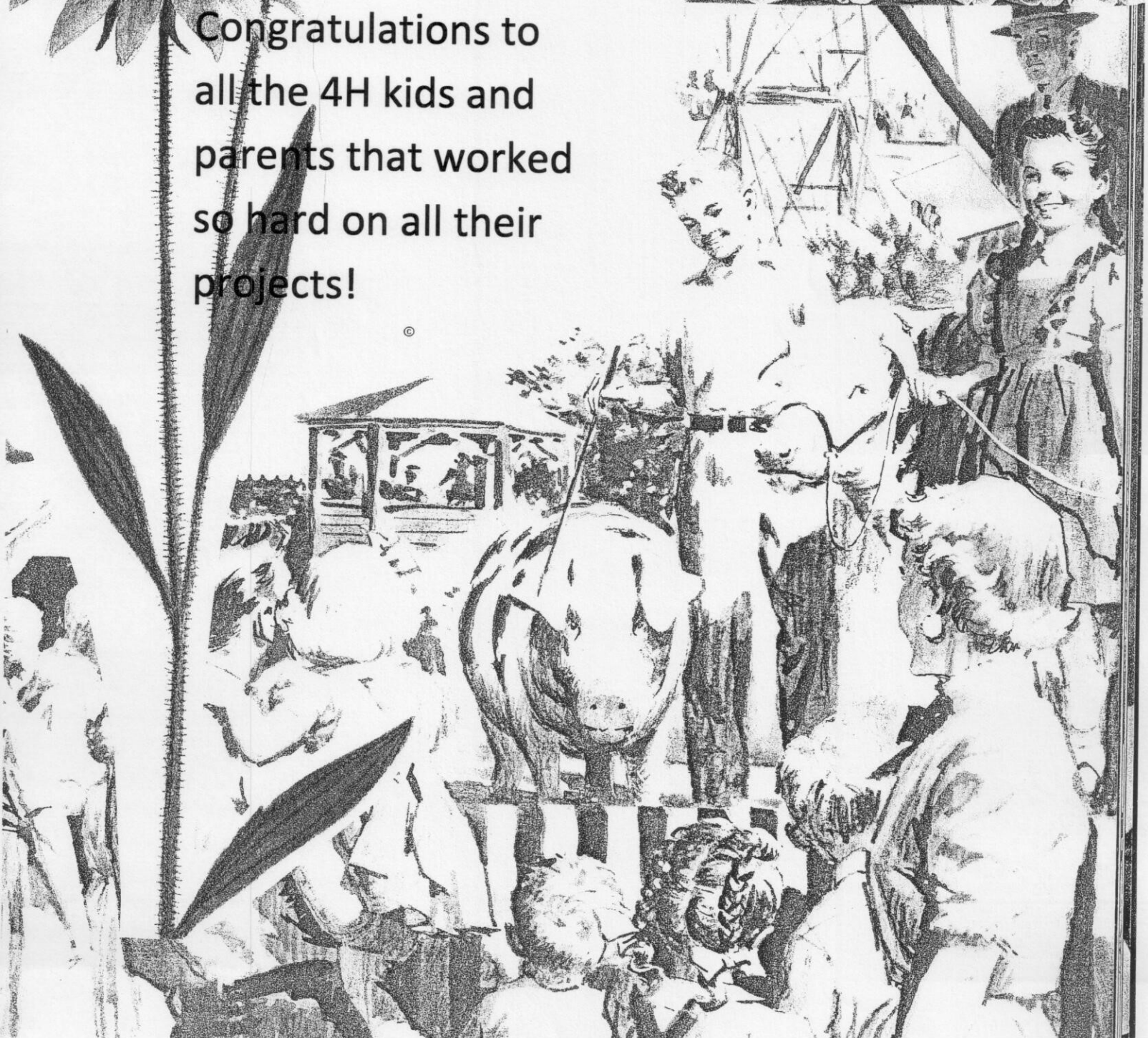
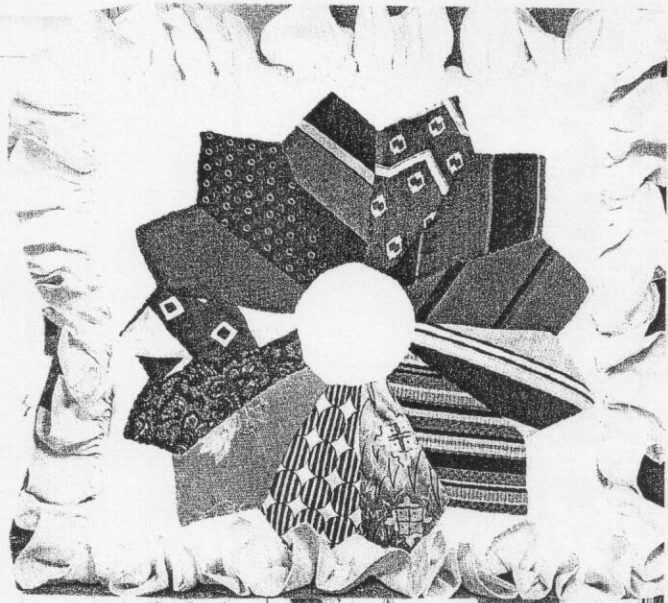
It may be that I shall preserve one of these children to the race . . . It is a peg big enough on which to hang a hope . . . For every child born into the world is a new incarnate thought of God . . . An ever fresh and radiant possibility.





Congratulations to
all the 4H kids and
parents that worked
so hard on all their
projects!

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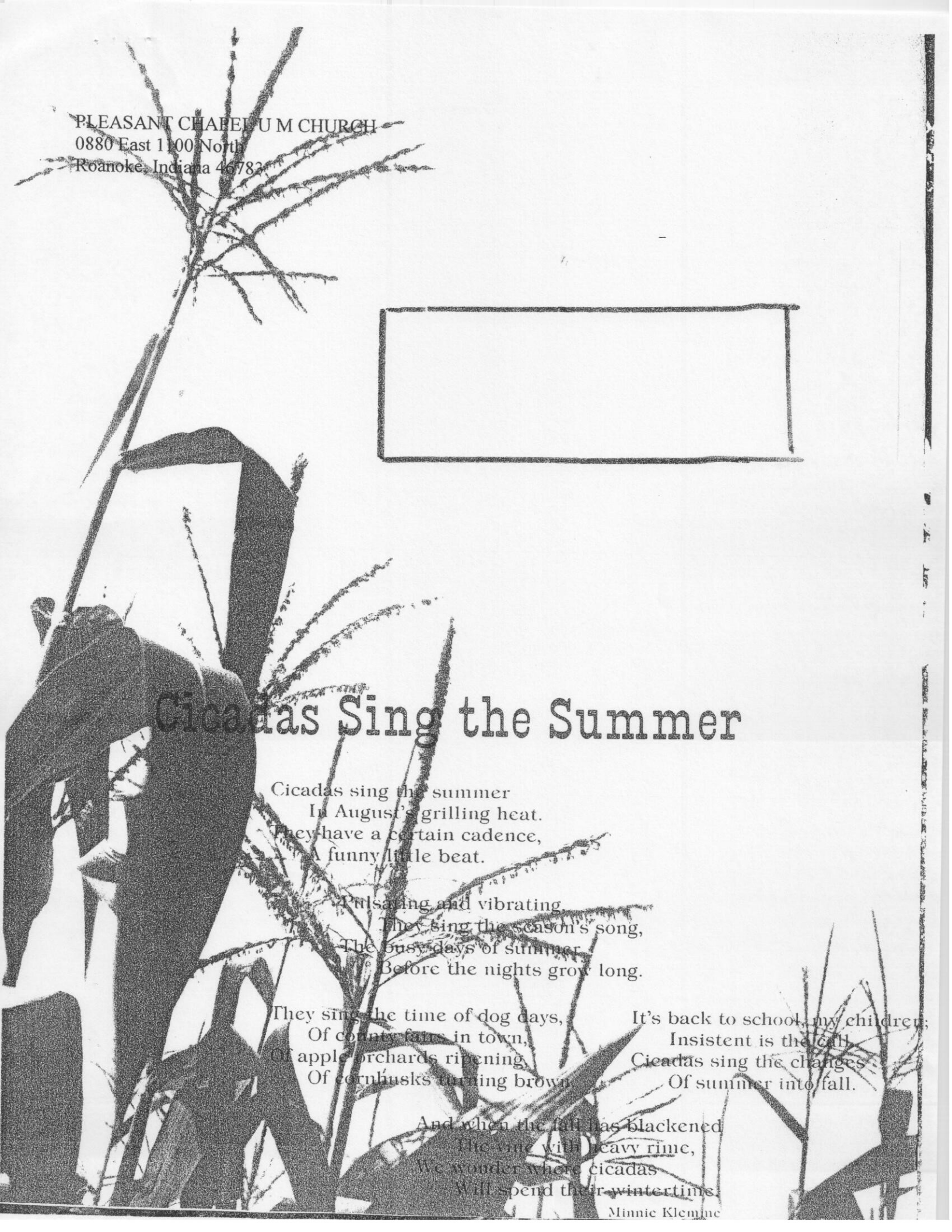
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Cicadas Sing the Summer

Cicadas sing the summer
In August's grilling heat.
They have a certain cadence,
A funny little beat.

Pulsating and vibrating,
They sing the season's song,
The busy days of summer,
Before the nights grow long.

They sing the time of dog days,
Of county fairs in town,
Of apple orchards ripening,
Of cornhusks turning brown.

It's back to school, my children;
Insistent is the call.
Cicadas sing the changes
Of summer into fall.

And when the fall has blackened
The vine with heavy rime,
We wonder where cicadas
Will spend their wintertime.

Minnie Klemme