

## Musicians for July

July 6	Rita Hilbert
July 13	Lucille Dilling
July 20	Rita Hilbert
July 27	?

## Organ

## Piano

Lucille Dilling
Dee Reneau
Karen Garrett
?

## Chorister for July

Marjorie Briar



## Greeters for July

July 6	Steve & Carolyn Wieseke
July 13	Julie Potter & Teresa Renaker
July 20	Brandon Hilbert & Allan Bullock
July 27	Curtis & Valerie Healton Family

## Nursery

Dave & Dee Reneau
Brad & Chad Bowman
Kathy Denney & Steve Stout
Gary & Cookie Stout

## From the Board Chair:



As I was pondering the words of Jesus the other day, my thoughts ran to the passage in Luke 19: 11-27. In it, Jesus says, "I tell you, to all those who have, more will be given; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away." I realize that you cannot take away what someone does not have, so Jesus could not really be talking about possessions. Then what was Jesus worried that I might not have? It must be something of both importance and value, but not something physical.

When physical possessions are eliminated, the next obvious choice for me was that it must be something spiritual. The only spiritual thing I have is my love relationship with God. Jesus was talking about spiritually investing what I have in order to finish with more than I started with. So how am I supposed to invest that love?

The only way I could think of was to invest that love in other people. At our council meeting we saw how all of our individual stories blended together to tell the story of the Nettle Creek Congregation. It was the story of people investing their love for God in the lives of others. The mission statement of that council meeting could be summed up by saying, "Being connected with God, and sharing that connection with others." To invest our relationship, first we must reach up; then we are able to reach out. There are several pictures of a Nettle Creek Minister hanging in your house. Just look in any mirror. It doesn't matter where you are spiritually right now; everyone has the ability to love. Take what you have and invest it in someone else. To what you have, even more will be given.

Love,

Curtis Healton

## Bread and Cup Communion July 20

During the morning worship service on July 20, we will have our Bread and Cup Communion. Come share in the bond of fellowship as well as in remembrance of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Board Retreat - July 25-26



All current board members and new members are asked to participate in our Board Retreat July 25-26 at **Bethany Seminary's Gathering room**. We will meet **Friday 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.** for food, fellowship, fun, and devotions. Friday night will be a potluck supper in the Gathering room. On **Saturday** we will meet **9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Topics will be Worshipful Work and understanding our purpose/goal for the church. Saturday lunch we will fellowship together at MCL cafeteria in Richmond. Please mark your calendars as we prepare for the coming year and future of Nettle Creek.

## July Church Council Meeting and Dinner after worship – July 27

*In preparation for the Special Called Council meeting on June 8 the congregation was asked to consider these questions prayerfully. Our July Council Meeting will be July 27. Let us keep these questions before us for that meeting. Your attendance is requested.*