ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to schedule an event at the church, contact Steph at 309-848-4050 or portbyronfirstumc@gmail.com. She will provide you with the building agreement, policies, and forms to book the date on the church calendar.

MONTHLY DONATIONS BLESSED ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: Immediate Food Pantry Needs - The Upper Rock Island County Food Pantry at Messiah Lutheran Church has immediate needs for paper products: Paper towels, kleenex, toilet paper & laundry detergent. Also, salad dressing, boxed meals, spaghetti, ravioli, pancake mix and syrup. Be sure that your donations are within the "best by/best use" expiration date and that the item has not been opened. The food pantry cannot accept items that are expired. Thank you for your continuing support of this ministry!

MONTHLY DONATIONS BLESSED ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: *Wish List for the Mission Welcome Kits:* The Mission Committee is preparing ongoing Welcome Kits for new residents at Whispering Hills. The following items are needed: shampoo, body soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dish soap, small laundry detergent, cleaning wipes, small all-purpose cleaner, single-roll paper towels, and a 4-pack of toilet paper. Thank you for your donations and support of this local mission!

LISTENING TOURS WITH PASTOR KREY & KATHY MAHRAUN:

Now that we are getting back into the full swing of things we would like to invite everyone to join Kathy and myself in a series of listening tours. This is a chance for me to get to know all of you a little better and for us to talk about our vision for our shared ministry here in Port Byron. We are currently scheduling these meetings on: Friday, Aug. 22nd at 1 pm, Sunday, Aug. 24th at 2pm and Wednesday, Sept. 3rd at 7pm. There will be a sign up sheet in the back and if these prove popular enough we will add more dates.

Wednesday, August 27th - Youth Leader Training 6-8pm

Thursday, Aug 28th – UWF Meeting 1:30pm at the Church. Program will be about the local food pantry.

Friday, August 29th 5th Quarter after the home football game until 11:30 pm in the Pavilion. Ice Cream Floats and Sundaes!

Sunday, Aug. 31st – UWF 5th Sunday. Meal will be after worship

Sunday, Aug. 31st - P3 (our confirmation program) Info meeting will be held at 12:45 pm (after our 5th Sunday meal) in the youth room. This informational meeting is for parents and students in at least 7th grade and above who are interested in learning more about our Confirmation Program. P3 will be held an average of 2 Sundays a month with additional dates for retreats and events. If you are unable to attend the August 31st meeting but are still interested, contact Pastor Becky, and she will save an info packet for you.

Wednesday, September 3rd GROW Kick off! Doors open at 6:30, Dinner at 7:00, Discipleship/Activities 7:30-8:30. Open to ALL students in 6th-12th grade. All students are encouraged to invite friends!

Thursday, Sept. 4th - 6-8pm Kid Min Leader Training

Sunday, Sept 7th Children/Youth Discipleship Groups Kick off at 9:30 am

Sunday, Sept. 14th – Consecration Sunday. More information coming.