

Subject: What's Happening - Week of June 28, 2020
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TOSA CARES DRIVE UP AND DROP OFF COLLECTION!

Donate non-perishable groceries and/or personal care items at the upcoming
Drop-off Collection at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, 12012 West North Avenue

Sunday, June 28 ~ 10 AM until 1 PM

If you or someone you know could use help from TOSA CARES, please contact them:

414-861-2725 (call or text)
414-258-0456, ext. 410 (leave a message)
tosacares@gmail.com

Thank you!

WHAT'S HAPPENING SUNDAY - JUNE 28, 2020

Sunday Online Worship Service
4th Sunday after Pentecost



Sermon
“Unity and Diversity”

Lesson
Matthew 18:18-35

Minister: Rev. William S. Trump

*Go online on to the FCC home page — firstchurchtosa.org —
for the link to the service*

Saturday Under the Steeple

June 27, 2020, 4 pm online

God the Spirit
Carolyn Simpson, speaker

Worship In the Fresh Air!

Members wishing to attend the service in person are welcome to bring a lawn chair and join us outside the church. Maddie Sgarlata will perform, but there will be no group singing. There will be no access to the church building.



Tune in to our Facebook page via Facebook Live



This Saturday's 4 O'clock Worship will be available for viewing on the FCC FACEBOOK page. Tune in to our Facebook page via FACEBOOK LIVE.

Join us for a *crazy good* time!

Virtual



Via ZOOM

Wednesday, July 15 ~ 7 pm

Fun for all ages

Prizes will be awarded

Watch your email for details



Vacation Bible School

August 10 - 14, 2020

For information contact:

Tonia Wallner
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Support Our Grads

Help provide scholarships to
our college-bound seniors.

Remember to send in your
*2020 Education Sunday
Special Offering.*

Mail your check to First Church
or drop it off at the Office.



Women's Ministry
Tuesdays ~ 7:30 am:

We will meet
outside the church
by the parking lot door.
Please bring a lawn chair.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Women's Ministry is currently studying Psalms.

REGARDING THE STEEPLE BELLS (THE RINGERS NOT THE SINGERS)

A yoke holding one of the bells has been deteriorating and was removed today, June 25. The bells won't be ringing for approximately three months until the yoke is replaced. If you depend on the bells to let you know when it's time to eat lunch you'll need to set an alarm.

John Robinson was a Congregationalist



Though he never made it to America, John Robinson is revered as “Pastor to the Pilgrims.” He was the beloved pastor and teacher of the early Separatists until they emigrated to New England on the Mayflower in 1620.

Robinson was born in 1575 in Sterton-le-Steeple near Scrooby, England. After graduating from Cambridge University he was ordained as an Anglican priest and served St. Andrews Church. He was interested in the ideas of Puritanism, which wanted the Church of England to get rid of all Catholic influence, and his radical views led to his resignation from his Anglican pastorate. At that point he became an itinerant preacher. He preached to small groups of Separatists, who could not in good conscience participate in Anglican rituals. Separatists believed that the “gathered church” is founded by the Holy Spirit, not man or the state. They maintained that Christian believers should seek out other Christians to form their churches, determining their own affairs without involvement of a higher authority. Christ alone is at the head of the church. Their desire to separate from the Church of England was considered a grave offense to God and country. Conformity laws were passed making it illegal to hold private religious services. Violators such as the Separatists were subject to heavy fines and imprisonment.

Robinson became close friends with William Brewster, who developed a secret Separatist church in his own home in Scrooby. Robinson pastored the church and wrote *A Justification of Separation from the Church of England*. When the Scrooby congregation decided to emigrate to the Netherlands, Robinson followed, serving as their pastor in Leiden. After 10 years, the Separatists became disenchanted with Leiden, concerned that they were losing their identity and culture. Returning to Scrooby, they made plans to sail to America and set up their own colony. Robinson didn't

leave on the Mayflower, intending to follow later. In his farewell speech to the 35 Pilgrims setting sail, Robinson famously said, "If God reveal anything to you by any other instrument of His, be as ready to receive it as you were to receive any truth from my ministry, for I am verily persuaded the Lord hath more truth and light to break forth from holy word." Robinson was planning his voyage to Plymouth Colony when he died at age 50. His wife Bridget had preceded him in death. Of their eight children, only one made it to America. He furthered his father's legacy for liberty of conscience and tolerance of those who are different.

FYI...all email blasts come from Jill's computer, you are welcome to respond to any email blast but know Jill receives it and will forward your message to the appropriate person if need be.

Here are emails for others of our staff and you are welcome to email us anytime!

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Stay safe and healthy!

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