Defining the Chapel Foundation

Shortly after being founded in December of 1966, the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation (FSMCF) began worshipping in February 1967 at the historic Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel. Our Purpose as stated in the Articles of Incorporation (Article II.) filed with the Minnesota Secretary of State reads:

“To promote and encourage public interest, appreciation and understanding of the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel in Fort Snelling State Park, Minnesota, as a spiritual center of religious, historical and patriotic activities.

To maintain a program of Christian worship of non-denominational character in connection with the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel by means of preaching and teaching the Word of God and administering the sacraments; to engage a Chaplain as its pastor and other personnel; and to maintain such activities as are customary to any religious body.

To solicit and receive contributions and donation of money and property for the furthering of the aforementioned purposes.”

Take notice that the FSMCF is defined as a “religious body” … that is a “congregation.” It is folly for anyone to claim to be a ‘foundation’ member and not be a member of the ‘congregation.’ They are one in the same.

The Restated ByLaws dated March 2002, defines Membership (III.) in FSMCF this way:

“Membership in the Foundation shall be open to any person, who is in sympathy with the aforementioned purposes, and who complete an application for membership promising to uphold the Chapel with their prayers, presence, gifts, and services … Membership in this Foundation shall terminate after the passage of at least one year’s time of inactivity and efforts fail to effect reaffirmation of the promise. A member’s name will be removed from the roll only by vote of the Board of Directors. Members shall have the right to withdraw membership by giving written notice to the Secretary, however, in no event shall a withdrawing member have the right to receive a refund of any part or all of the member’s contribution. Members shall have no rights in or to the property of the Foundation.”

According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, ‘application’ means an act of applying; a form used in making a request.

In our Membership Application, the applicant promises “to uphold the Church with my prayers, presence, gifts, and service … to the best of my ability.” A ‘temporary’ membership card is attached – providing suggestions as to how the applicant can fulfill the promise in each category: prayers, presence, gifts, and service. The church relies upon the prayers of its members, their faithful attendance at worship, their generous offerings, and the rendering of voluntary service in the activities of the congregation. Members are expected to fulfill the promises in all categories – not select categories. In other words: not two out of four promises, or one out of four … but all.

As a “religious body” we adopted in December 2013 a Statement of Faith that defines our primary beliefs under eight (8) major doctrines:

1. Biblical Authority - We believe the historic Bible, both Old and New Testaments, to be God’s truth revealed to humanity; these Divinely inspired words comprise God’s unchangeable and everlasting authority in all matters

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As the newly elected President of the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation, I would like to thank all my fellow Christian friends at the Chapel for your support. I believe we are at the beginning of a new and exciting chapter in the life of the Chapel. The world is changing. Some good things are happening such as new technologies in medicines that are helping us to live a longer and better life. But there is still the problems of the world that we all have to deal with. The focus away from satan and his continual pressure to be bad brings us to the Chapel and the preaching from our Great Chaplains — Ken Beale and Mike Wallman. The Word of God is true according to the Bible at our Chapel. It helps my wife Karen and me to bring our focus back to God's Word ... that helps us to focus for the week ahead. I hope you as a congregation feel the same as we do.

Sunday is a special day in the life of our Christian faith and fellowship. I hope you all agree with me that the Fort Snelling Chapel Foundation helps to bring true Christianity to our lives.

Iain Hodge
Foundation President
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NOTICE

The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel parking lot and entrance road project will begin sometime after Labor Day (1 Sep 2014) and is scheduled for completion by 4 Oct 2014.

The parking lot and entrance road will be completely reconstructed, with old pavement being removed and replaced with new asphalt. A storm-water filtration area will be added.

Access to the Chapel will be on a limited basis between Monday and Friday each week; with full parking available from 3:00 p.m. Fridays through Sunday evening.

Parking may be on gravel surfacing for some of this period. A new water line will be installed for the Chapel as well, and water service may be disconnected for brief periods during the work week.

Larry Peterson
Fort Snelling State Park Manager
Fort Snelling Upper Post Project Manager

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Scheduled Board Meetings in 2014:
Saturdays ... @ Ft Snelling Officers Club
20 Sep (9:00 a.m.)
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Sunday ... @ the Chapel Sanctuary
21 Dec (1:00 p.m.)

If you would like a copy of the 2013 Annual Report, please secure one in the Fellowship Hall or call the Foundation Office at (952) 888-1525 and leave your name/mailing address that we may send you a copy of this impressive report.
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of Christian faith and morality.

2. The Godhead - We believe in
one God, Creator of all; eternally
existing in Three Persons—
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

3. Human Life - We believe God
created human life, male and
female, in His image. By deliber-
ate choice humanity disobeyed
God and fell into sin. By the
grace of God redemption is pos-
sible through faith in Jesus Christ.

4. The Person & Works of
Jesus Christ - We believe that
Jesus Christ is true God and true
man. He was conceived by the
Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin
Mary. He died on the Cross a
blood sacrifice for our sins
according to the Scriptures.
He rose bodily from the dead,
ascended into Heaven, where at
the right hand of God. He is now
our High Priest and Advocate.

5. The Person & Works of the
Holy Spirit - We believe the Holy
Spirit is truly God, whose purpose
is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ,
and during this age to convict
humanity of sin, to regenerate
the believing sinner, to indwell,
comfort, guide, instruct, and
empower the believer for godly
living and service.

6. The Biblical Doctrine of
Salvation - We believe that the
shed blood of Jesus Christ and
His resurrection provide the only
ground for salvation for those who
believe, and only such as receive
Jesus Christ are born again and
thus become children of God.

7. The People of God—The
Church - The Church is the living
manifestation of Jesus Christ in
the world. She is comprised
solely of those who through faith
in Christ’s death on the Cross for
our sins and His resurrection from
the dead are born again and
reconciled with God. Jesus calls
His Church together to bear
witness of Himself and to make
disciples who follow Him, learning
of Him and loving as He
loved.

8. The End Times - We believe
that God will fulfill human history
according to His plan. At the
end, Christ will return; He will
call His faithful to Himself and
establish His rule over Creation
forever; all the living and the
dead will be raised to face God’s
perfect justice. We believe that
this blessed hope has a vital
bearing on how the Christian
lives.

Clearly, FSMCF is a church body
that gathers each Sunday for
preaching, teaching and fellow-
ship ... in the setting of a historic
U.S. Army chapel built in 1927-
28. It is very much a place
"where the veteran is remem-
bered." But above all else,
FSMCF is a Christian congrega-
tion where all its members are
expected to fulfill the promise to
God "to uphold the Church with:
my prayers, presence, gifts, and
service ... to the best of my
ability."

Serving God and Country,
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This academic year will begin with
a study of the "one another"
Biblical passages ... describing
how every member of the church
can help strengthen other Chris-
tians. The study is based upon
the Gene Getz book — "Building
Up One Another."
The course schedule and topics is
as follows:
7 Sep — The Church  The New
Testament Nature of the Church
14 Sep — The People  An Un-
derstanding of the Body of Christ
21 Sep — Members of One
Another  (Romans 12:5)
28 Sep — Devoted to One
Another  (Romans 12:10)
5 Oct — Honor One Another
(Romans 12:10)
12 Oct — Be of the Same Mind
with One Another (Rom. 15:5)
19 Oct — Accept One Another
(Romans 15:7)
26 Oct — Admonish One
Another (Romans 15:14)
2 Nov — Greet One Another
(Romans 16:3-6,16)
9 Nov — Serve One Another
(Galatians 5:13)
16 Nov — Bear One Another’s
Burdens (Galatians 6:2)
23 Nov — Bearing with One
Another (Ephesians 4:2)
30 Nov — Submit to One
Another (Ephesians 5:21)
7 Dec — Encourage One
Another (1 Thessalonians 5:11)
14 Dec — Review and
Application
21 Dec — Summary
Worksheets are provided that
when completed during the class
will provide every participant with
practical application of how to
function together as the Church.
Class begins promptly at 9:45
a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
Coffee will be prepared.
— Chaplains Ken & Mike

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Intergenerational
Christian Ed Class
(7 Sep 2014 — 17 May 2015)
9:45-10:30 a.m. each Sunday
Before worship every Sunday,
we have classes for everyone
interested in Bible study. Chap-
lain Ken and Mike will lead in
these weekly studies ... each of
which are 'stand alone' studies.
Special Patriotic/ Veterans Events . . .


Sun, 14 Sept 14 — POW/MIA Remembrance — remembering those who are prisoners of war and those missing in action.

Sun, 28 Sept 14 — Gold Star Family Day — honoring those parents who have offered up their sons and daughters on the altar of liberty.

Sun, 9 Nov 14 — Veterans Day Remembrance — recognizing U.S. veterans of all branches of the armed forces.

Sun, 7 Dec 14 — Pearl Harbor Remembrance — recognizing survivors . . . with the tolling of the ship bell for those who have passed away since last year.

Mark your calendar with these dates . . . and join us at 11:00 a.m.

9/11 Remembrance

ON ANY GIVEN DAY IN 2001, nearly 25,000 people departed on flights in the United States. On the early morning of Sep 11th, 19-men associated with the Islamist extremist group (al Qaeda) under the direction of Osama bin Laden boarded four flights intending to hijack the planes and use them as weapons to destroy major American landmarks.

American Airlines Flight #11 carried 76-passeresss, 9-flight attendants, 2-pilots, and five of the hijackers. About 15-minutes after take-off, the plane was overtaken by the terrorists, who stabbed two flight attendants and a passenger.

Two other flight attendants made calls from the coach cabin to report the hijacking to American Airlines officials on the ground. One, Betty Ann Ong, stayed on the phone for approximately 25-minutes, calmly reporting from the plane to an American Airlines reservation office in North Carolina. The other, Madeline Amy Sweeney, reached the flight services office in Boston and provided information to help identify the hijackers. As the flight crew worked to keep passengers calm, the plane turned south, descending rapidly. After 45-minutes in the air, Flight #11 approached Manhattan, flying south along the Hudson River. At 8:46, the plane crashed into 1 World Trade Center (the north tower) instantly killing everyone on board and hundreds in the building.

First responders mobilized immediately. News helicopters in the area began reporting the crash, generally presuming an accident had been caused by a small aircraft. Nearby onlookers recalled staring up in disbelief and horror, and seeing the sky fill with white paper blowing out from the tower's gash.

United Airlines Flight #175 departed Logan International Airport en route to Los Angeles with 11-crew members and 54-passengers, including five hijackers. At roughly the same time that Flight #11 struck the north tower, Flight #175 was hijacked. Two passengers and a flight attendant made phone calls to people on the ground, reporting the hijacking. Passenger Brian David Sweeney reached his mother, Louise, and told her that the passengers were considering rushing the cockpit to regain control of the plane. Shortly after 9:00 a.m., the plane crashed into the 2 World Trade Center (south tower), killing everyone on board and hundreds inside the building.

American Airlines Flight #77 crashes into the Pentagon at 9:37 a.m. 184 lives were lost from both Flight #77 and personnel at the Pentagon. This attack also serves as the symbolic commencement of our nation's military into 12-years of combative engagement.

United Airlines Flight #93 falls into a field in Shanksville, PA at 10:03 a.m. 40 innocent civilians were killed in this attack; the resistance of some of the brave passengers likely saved the lives of many others.

— Iain Hodge
Worship Committee Chair
Gold Star Day — Sun, 28 Sep

The Gold Star pins associated with the Gold Star Mothers are awarded by the Defense Department often through your casualty officer. You need not be the mother of the deceased, but an immediate next-of-kin to receive the pin. The Gold Star Lapel pin was established by Congress in 1947.

Did you know there are 2 different pins? The pin you are awarded depends on the circumstances of your loved one’s death. The following relatives are entitled to one or the other pins: widow, widower, mother, father, stepmother/father, mother/father through adoption, foster mother/father, son, daughter, stepson/daughter, son/daughter by adoption, brother, sister or a half brother or sister.

The Gold Star Lapel Pin is awarded only if the deceased was killed during conflicts. If not in conflict, but killed while training, you would receive the Next of Kin Lapel Pin. On the back of a DD Form 3 it will list the conflicts eligible.

Please plan to join us Sunday 28 Sep at 11:00 a.m. to honor all of the Gold Star recipients and their soldier’s gift of service to our great country.

— Iain Hodge
Worship Committee Chair

Operation Christmas Child — Thinking Inside the Box!

A wonderful opportunity for joyous cheerful giving will occur again this November when we collect and deliver stacks of lovingly-filled shoeboxes to be sent to needy children around the world through Operation Christmas Child. This project is part of Samaritan’s Purse, an evangelical Christian international relief organization headed by Franklin Graham. Since 1993, more than 100-million boys and girls in over 130-countries have experienced God’s love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan’s Purse works with local churches and ministry partners around the world to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ.

More information on the specifics of this mission will be in weekly worship bulletins; but, it is not too soon to begin collecting items to be packed in YOUR shoeboxes! Think “Boy or Girl” in one of three age brackets: 2-4; 5-9; 10-14. Ideas include: stuffed animal, doll, hand or finger puppet, small cars, plastic animals, ball, jump rope, yo-yo, harmonica, tote bag, pencils, erasers, sharpener, crayons, markers, colored pencils, drawing paper, notebook, scissors, glue stick, coloring book, stickers, solar calculator, small flashlight and batteries, T-shirt, socks, ball cap, sunglasses, bandana, barrettes, headbands, bracelet, comb, brush, toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, washcloth, Band-Aids, small plastic cup and plate, water bottle, hard candy and gum in plastic baggie. No liquids!

Plastic shoeboxes will again be provided by the Chapel. Donations to defray the cost of purchasing these will be gratefully accepted. See Barb Stocker, Shari Coyne or Robin Nelson.

— Barb, Shari, & Robin

Got Christian Literature?

On 5 Oct (Worldwide Communion Sunday) we will have our annual collection of non-denominational Christian literature to be delivered to the International Christian Literature Distributors, Inc. (ICLD) in Mpls … who will, in turn, read, sort, package and ship these Bible based materials to primarily Third World countries. People around the world are hungry for Christian literature, but in many nations it is either not available or too costly for people to purchase. ICLD meets this need by shipping over 1,600 pounds of material per week to over 50 countries. Acceptable materials are: Bibles, Decision magazines, Daily Bread, Upper Room, Bible study books, non-denominational hymnals and tapes of Sunday services. U.S. Postal regulations require materials to be free of advertising. A collection point will be at the front entrance to the Chapel.

— Connie Payette
Fellowship Committee Chair
Welcome New Staff

Bev Johnson is our new Administrative Assistant. She is the wife of a former Foundation President, Johnnie Johnson. Bev met Johnnie, "the love of my life and my best friend" in 1998. They were married on New Year's Eve in 2001. They attended the Catholic Church at first because that was how Bev was raised. They then began to search in earnest for a Bible-teaching church where God's Word and God's ways were sincerely taught without compromise. They attended a few churches in the area until a strange "coincidence" drew them to the Fort Snelling Chapel. They had borrowed their son's truck while theirs was being repaired. One day, while waiting to pick up Johnnie at a bus stop she found a wedding program in her son's truck from the Fort Snelling Chapel where their son's friend had recently been married. Being drawn to the Chapel in this way, they went on line to the Chapel website and decided to attend the worship service the following Sunday.

Bev says that they were so moved by the beautiful Chapel, the wonderful people, and the amazing sermon shared by Chaplain Beale that day that they left feeling that the Chapel was exactly what they had been looking for. They truly believe that the Lord brought them to the Chapel, and they have been members since 2006.

Bev and Johnnie each brought children to their marriage, totaling three sons (John, Joe, and Andy). They enjoy two beautiful grandchildren, Zach (14), and Abby (12). They share that their best times are vacations with the kids and that every year they try to take just the grandchildren on a vacation to the lake, Mt Rushmore, Wisconsin Dells, and to Missouri to visit Johnnie's family. They believe that God, family and friends are the most important relationships in life, and that at the Chapel they experience a full measure of God's blessings. Bev provides volunteer leadership to our Prayer Shawl Ministry and as a 'Kitchen Angel.'

Carol Nygaard is our new Accounting Specialist. She is a second generation Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation member, and continues the rich heritage of service to our Lord by serving His people at the Chapel. Most people know her as one of our 'Kitchen Angels' who so faithfully sets up and serves during our fellowship hour after worship each Sunday. She has taken primary responsibility for this work, and all who help look to her for her knowledge and experience. And as was mentioned, her experience spans two generations.

Her parents, Ozz and Doris, came to the Chapel around 1989. They had always served faithfully in the church, so it was easy for them to find a place to serve at the Chapel. Her dad was an usher, and greeted at the door every Sunday. He also served on the Board of Directors and was at one time a President of the Foundation. Carol's mom worked in the kitchen and soon became Head Angel. Many people confided in Carol that because of the friendliness of her parents they kept coming back to the Chapel. Carol began her search for a church home in 1992, and came to the Chapel because of her parents. She never left. One Sunday, she had misread her clock and got to Chapel early. She asked her mom, in the kitchen, if she could help. And as they say, the rest is history. In 1998, Carol served on the Board of Directors and so, she followed both her mom and her dad in serving the Lord at the Fort Snelling Chapel congregation.

Carol was born in Mpls and is the oldest of 4-children. Her younger brother and sister, Karl and Karen, are twins. Her brother John is less than 11-months younger than her and so her mom used to say that she had two sets of twins. They all grew up in Bloomington, and sadly both brothers have passed away.

Carol works in a difficult field as a career accountant and says that on her toughest days she looks to the Cross for guidance as well as comfort. She knows that she is never alone.

Carol shares how blessed she has been to find at the Chapel, "some of the best people that I am proud to call my friends." She is so very grateful for the example of her parents in setting forth a faith based life of service, and believes that they are proud of her for her faithful service as well.

Welcome Bev and Carol; and may your sweet spirits, and dedication to our Lord bring you both many wonderful blessings.
Worldwide Holy Communion — Sun, 5 Oct

We are blessed that we may come freely to the Lord’s Table. Many people throughout the world are persecuted for being Christians and being dedicated to following Christ’s command to “do this in remembrance of Me.”

For Christians everywhere communion is what keeps our Christian faith linked together even though we may be different denominations. Christ paid the ultimate price for your sins and mine. Through communion we are reminded that our sins are forgiven and we are promised life ever-after. It is a time for humbleness and a time of acknowledgement and reconciliation that we must forgive and extend our Christian love to everyone around us.

Plan to partake in communion on 6 Oct at 11:00 a.m. — open to all those who believe in Christ.

Chapel Foundation on the Internet

If you are under the weather or out of town you can still attend worship services and even post an offering on the Fort Snelling Chapel Foundation’s web presence on

![Livestream](http://new.livestream.com/accounts/3709164). A link to this address can be found on the Chapel website [www.fortsnellingmcf.org](http://www.fortsnellingmcf.org) where you can download a PDF of the weekly worship bulletin and scripture insert. Just click on that link and you will be able to watch live or revisit previous services from the archives. Offerings can be achieved by clicking on the more link at the top of the page bringing you to a link Donate to Chapel Foundation.

Our future goal is to further simplify this amazing way to stay in touch with the Chapel with allowing people to add prayer requests for the Chaplain to see prior to the call to prayer portion of our services.

Remember, we love to have you in-person at our services, but in the event that is not possible please join us in our ever changing and improving web presence.

You may also ‘Like’ the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation on Facebook to view news of upcoming events.

— Matt Stokes, Chair
Publicity Committee

POW/MIA Remembrance — Sun, 14 Sep

The U.S. National POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed across the nation on the 3rd Fri of Sep each year. Many Americans take the time to remember those who were prisoners-of-war (POW) and those who are missing-in-action (MIA), as well as their families.

The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation will never forget those who are POW/MIA. Each Sunday at the Chapel they are lifted up to the Lord in prayer... as we light a candle in an unoccupied pew designated for POW/MIA’s and have posted the POW/MIA flag beside the altar. Join us in prayer and recognition of those who are POW/MIA’s at 11:00 a.m.

— Iain Hodge
Worship Committee Chair
Benevolent Giving...

Sharing and Caring Hands is a Mpls community with a belief that the lives of the poor and the needs of their families can be enriched through local volunteer devotion and service.

Because our Chapel Family helps to support this community through benevolent giving, our friend Mr. John Butler visited them a few weeks ago. He met Chris Moore, a manager at Mary's Place, who accompanied John through the facilities and introduced him to several of the staff and people present.

As you may know, Sharing and Caring Hands began in 1985, founded by Mary Jo Copeland. It is staffed with volunteers with but a few paid staff. Mary Jo is one of the volunteers. She inspires others with her smile and out-stretched hand: in her words, "The beginning of a miracle in the unspoken need of another's heart." Like some of the people who seek guidance here, Mary grew up in a family with parents who fought constantly. Her emotionally disturbed father often beat her mother. Mary Jo was an emotionally deprived and socially dysfunctional child of whom other children made fun of because they didn't understand. Her self-esteem at one time was almost non-existent, similar to that of many of the people she helps today.

More than 20,000 people come to this facility each month, and over $350,000 is spent each month on the needs of the poor. Over a thousand people each day are fed. The dedication of 35-churches provides the food and serving for the noon meal, a breakfast brunch and late afternoon supper. This is the main place for the homeless to bathe in Mpls. The center is utilized heavily, providing over 10,000 showers last year as well as shampoo, deodorant and other toiletries. Hygiene items are given out to hundreds of people each month. The free clothing store at the center is the only one in the downtown area and gives out hundreds of bags of clothing every week. Each winter, hundreds of gloves are given out to protect the homeless from frostbite. Over $100,000 a year are used to buy beds (over 2,800) and basic furniture for the needy, who are otherwise often subjected to cockroach bites from sleeping on the floor.

A dental clinic is staffed by volunteer dentists from the surrounding area. This is a state-of-the-art facility with two dental parlors and a dental lab. Last year 15-dentists and 12-oral surgeons rotated volunteer shifts. 1,400 emergency room exams, 1,418 x-rays, 892 extractions, 192 fillings were accomplished; 87% of patients had no health insurance; 40% of patients had no income; 75% of patients had been in pain for more than 2 weeks.

Eye exams and glasses are provided for those who cannot afford to go to a regular clinic, over 600 people last year with half of them children referred to them by schools. There are two modern 6-room medical clinics staffed by professionals to help the poor with their health care needs.

All medical services are provided free of charge.

Mary's Place was built entirely from private donations. The 92 fully-furnished apartment units provide safety and hope to their occupants, with laundry facilities, indoor and outdoor play areas, a classroom, a resource room and access to services of health care professionals. There are approximately 500 residents at Mary's Place. Plans for expansion are in place at this time.

Sharing and Caring Hands pays few salaries and spends 93% of all money collected on the needs of the poor. Only 7% of the money is used for administrative costs and fund raising. This is a nonprofit tax-exempt organization, and all donations are tax deductible.

Sharing and Caring Hands
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Minneapolis MN 55405
612-338-4640

Business Hours:
M-Th: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Sat-Sun: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

— Submitted by Richard Geis
Benevolence Committee Chair

Children's Ministry

Sep 2014-May 2015 we will have a 'Children's Church' for ages 5-10 during worship (approx. 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.). Children will begin worship with parents in the sanctuary, then exit the sanctuary through the front pulpit doors and go into a classroom for Christian education to include: singing, Bible lesson, activities (arts & crafts), refreshments, etc. Parents pick-up their children following the worship service ... prior to the fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall.
From the Flag-Line

The Flag Line was honored to have two guest flag holders in the month of July:

Jul 6 - Retired Army Ranger SGM Brett Beaudette who served his nation during the 'Global War on Terrorism' (GWOT) for 3-tours of duty to include: Iraq Invasion 2003, Afghanistan 2005-2006, Iraq 2008-2009.

Jul 13 – Elizabeth “Betty Wall” Strohhus ... a WASP in WW2 ... was a female pilot in the war. Betty was able to connect with Jim and Dorothea Johns of our congregation, who took her to the Air Museum the following week. Betty is 93-years old and still the energizer bunny. Thanks to her son, Andrew who drove her from Faribault to be at the Chapel. Many people waited in line to get a signed copy of her book.

On Aug 6, we remembered the horrible 'Extortion 17' chopper crash that took the lives of 31 heroes – 30 men and their military dog in 2011. It was the largest loss of life in one day in the history of the Navy SEALs. (Twenty-two Navy SEALs have paid the ultimate sacrifice in GWOT.) We had the parents, Billy and Karen Vaughn, of Navy SEAL Aaron Carson Vaughn at the Chapel this past May. Billy wrote a book titled, Betrayed that raises numerous questions concerning the incident - Questions that have never been answered. They know the people at the Chapel will never forget their son, Aaron, and all the others.

On Memorial Day weekend we were honored to stand in front of the Arlington graves of Aaron and 12 others buried in a row from the 'Extortion 17' crash (that was the call letters of the chopper). One gravestone just says Extortion 17 as you can see in the picture. (An unusual grave marker ... with no names.) Last year, I asked the father of one of SEALs buried there why it was etched that way. He told me that the parents and families did not want to include the Afghan names that died with them and chose the way it is written.

Minnesota lost two SEALs (John Faas & Nicholas Spehar) in the crash. They are both buried at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. I went out to honor them on the 3rd anniversary (Aug 6), and took these pictures.

Don and I continue to plan for some exciting flag line guests who are true patriots and heroes.

We have many flags representing all the service branches, the POW/MIA flag and the Christian flag. Please join us in line. We thank those who join us there every Sunday to make an impressive entrance for those attending the Chapel plus an escort/valet service for those who need it. Thanks to all who donated umbrellas for the days it rains.

— Don & Patricia (Boyd) Peerson

The Christian Flag has been added to the flag line ... along with flags of the various branches of military service. The Christian flag was designed in the early 20th century to represent all of Christianity and Christendom. The flag has a white field, with a red Latin cross inside a blue canton. The shade of red on the cross symbolizes the blood Jesus shed on Calvary. The blue represents the waters of baptism as well as the faithfulness of Jesus. The white represents Jesus' purity. In conventional vexillology, a white flag is linked to surrender, a reference to the Biblical description of Jesus' surrender to to the will of His Heavenly Father and our surrender to His Lordship.
Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation

This is a non-denominational Christian church founded in 1967. We invite you to join us for worship each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. at this historic Chapel. The Fort Snelling Veterans Memorial Chapel is a unique Minnesota memorial—a splendid monument to the patriotism, the moral earnestness and the convictions of the people of this state—a shrine to commemorate those who have died for their country. Weekly Sunday worship is sponsored by the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation and is not subsidized by the state.

For Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation information call the Foundation Office at (952) 886-1525, or write to the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation 9031 Penn Ave S Bloomington, MN 55431 or e-mail to info@fortsnellingmcf.org or check our web site at www.fortsnellingmcf.org

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