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The Word

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Pastor's Notes

When God doesn't make sense.

I love reading about Joshua. He was Moses' right-hand man and the one who took the Israelite people into the Promised Land. Aaron, Moses' brother was a big help, but he certainly had his issues. Joshua, he was a man of faith, strength and integrity.

When God was ready to take the Israelite people into the Promised Land, He wanted them to cross the Jordan River at flood stage. He asked for the priests who carried the ark of the covenant to step into the rushing waters. When they did, the waters were held back in a heap and the Israelites crossed on dry ground. Joshua 3. Why didn't God make it simple for the people. Why didn't He wait until the Jordan River was at its lowest, when the people could have easily waded across the Jordan?

Or how about Gideon? The armies of the Midianites and the Amalekites had overrun Israel's land. They were devouring everything in sight, leaving the people of Israel to cower in caves in the mountains. When God said enough, I am going to free My people, He asked Gideon to gather some fighting men and confront the invading armies. When Gideon showed up with 20,000 fighting men God said too many. God paired the number down to only 300. Not a very good military strategy it seemed. Unless you have the God of the Universe on your side. It is stunning what God did through the obedience and faith of Gideon. You can read about it in Judges 6-8.

Two seemingly impossible tasks? Yes, from a human perspective but not from a God perspective. What about you? What about some of the seemingly impossible tasks God puts in front of you? What is He up to when He puts two seemingly complete opposite people together in marriage. Or when your kids, parents neighbors, boss, co-workers or even your church does something that doesn't make sense. How about when God says to forgive when there is absolutely no good reason to forgive. What do we make of it all when what God is doing doesn't make sense.

Maybe God knows that if all we strive to accomplish in this life are the things we can do ourselves then He never gets to be glorified and shown to the world. God wants to show up and show Himself strong for you in your circumstances and in your relationships not just so you will be blessed and at peace, but so the world will see Him at work doing the impossible.

In our world today there is not enough evidence of God working in people's lives to the point where people are taken back and go whoa! That must be God! God wants to be known. God wants to show He is still active on earth and in the lives of His people. He wants to be seen as a God who cares for and provides for His people. Are you giving Him a chance? Are you allowing Him the time to work in your circumstances and in your relationships before you step in and (try) to do it yourself? The Psalmist David wrote, Psalm 27:13-14, "I would have despaired had I not believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living (on earth). Wait for the Lord; Be strong and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for the Lord." Wait for and on the Lord...

Let's all strive to be patient and wait for the Lord to show up in our lives and in our circumstances before we make any moves. We will be blessed and the world will see God for themselves and hopefully, come to know the salvation He is offering through His Son Jesus.

In much love, Pastor Darrel



Children's Message

7/7 Priscilla Franzen
7/14
7/21 Cheryl Paxton
7/28 Tracy Donaghy

Childrens Church

7/7 Jayleen Schroeder
7/14 Janet Westover
7/21 Amy Schroeder
7/28 Dana Mildenberger

Offering Stewards

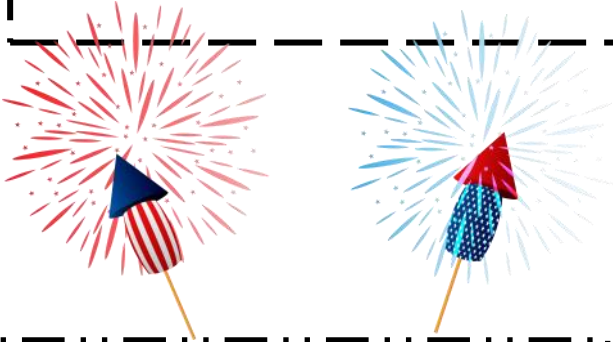
7/7 Sharon & Janet
7/14 Dana & Bill
7/21 Glen & Dave
7/28 Mike & Sharon

Ushers

7/7 Dave Goddard & Aaron Erker
7/14 Larry Lehnerz & Wayne Bader
7/21 Chris & Tammie Wick
7/28 Mike Schimpf & Jerrad Mildenberger

Mowers

7/4-5 Tami Walker
7/11-12 David/Shawn Hollis
7/18-19 Sean Bowling
7/25-26 Wayne Bader
8/1-2 Jerrad Mildenberger



☞ A HUGE Thank You to WCC for your generous donations for Timmy Paxton. About \$1650 was donated for his WYAM Mission. Timmy Paxton leaves July 8th for his mission trip to Panama and beyond. He'll spend 3 months training in Panama and 2 months on mission. Help us pray for a safe and fruitful mission for Timmy!

☞ The funeral for Anna Beran was a wonderful celebration of life. For those who were able to attend, we know you were touched by the life and legacy of Anna. We thank you for coming and sharing your love and condolences.

☞ "Thank you for the lovely potted plants, the delicious meal, and your kind hospitality to all of us. We truly felt the love you shared with us for Mom" ~ The Family of Anna Beran

Important Dates: July

Women's Fellowship
Tuesday the 2nd, 1:30pm

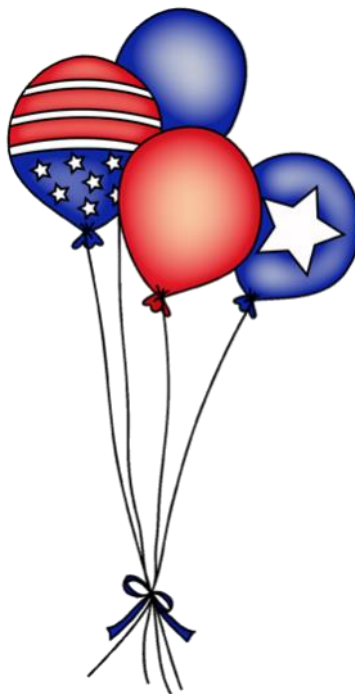
Independence Day
Thursday the 4th

Food Pantry Truck Delivery
Thursday the 4th, 6:30am
Friday the 19th, 6:30am

Board Meeting
Tuesday the 9th, 6:30pm

Staff Meeting
Wednesday the 10th,
2:00pm

Men's Breakfast
Saturday the 13th, 7:30am



Weekly Events:

Intercessory Prayer
Monday-Friday, 9am

Women's Bible Study
Mondays 10am

Men's Group
Mondays 6:30pm

Women's Bible Study
Tuesdays 6:30pm

Young Men's Bible Study
Saturdays 9am

Youth Group
Sundays 5:30pm



Sunday School
9:00am
EPIC Youth
Sundays at 9am
Sunday Service
10:00AM

June Board Meeting Minutes

Devotional by Pastor Darrel was from Ephesians 4:11-13. Round table prayers followed.

Children's Ed report from Carly Erker was read and received. VBS 2024 was very successful with an average of 65 children in attendance. Carly is considering in the month of July of have a day-long kids camp.

Youth report was orally shared by Pastor Darrel. Summertime is very busy for families, so only a few youth are attending Sunday School and evening Youth Group.

Financial report from Dana Mildenberger was shared. Church average was 100 for May. Giving was \$10,891. Treasurer's report given by Sharon Ruyle. Pastor's Report stated ongoing pastoral duties.

Old business included the following: the possibility of a Christian School in the future. The possibility of creating a financial paid position, combining the treasurer and financial secretary positions.

New business included Bibles for Prison Ministry and new Bible study at Rising Up in Fort Morgan. At \$5 per Bible, about \$200 per month is needed to keep up with demand. Motion was submitted and approved that \$50 a month be given through Missions Committee for bibles. Also part of new business was a vision response review- Board was all given copies of collective responses to take home, review and pray over. Discussion to be held next meeting to go over where the Board feels focus is most needed.

Correspondence included Thank You cards for scholarships that were received by Greyson Johnson and Scott Kennedy. Upcoming events were Youth Camp, which has 11 teens, 5 adults and Pastor Darrel attending.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Bowling, Board Secretary

Membership Committee News:

☞ We continue to address weekly bulletins and give out Welcome Bags -to new folks attending worship services. We also provide new baby welcome bags and Baptism/Dedication gifts.

Mission Committee News:

☞ Thanks to all who gave to the Baby Bottle Campaign. Our WCC family gave an offering of \$823.71! Missions also gave a gas card to the family of a 2 year old Wiggins boy who was burned and receiving treatment at Children's Hospital.

CARE TEAM COMMITTEE NEWS:

☞ We had over 20 people attend the Taco Salad Luncheon. Sent \$300 to the Wiggins family of Roman Salinas who had a 5 year old boy who passed away. A gas card and \$100 was given to Krystal Gray and family after her daughter Alita was hospitalized at Children's Hospital.




Happy Anniversary
July

2nd- James & Susie Bostron
2nd- John & Lisa Finegan
3rd- Dan & Carol Ronning
4th- Chris & Priscilla Franzen
7th- Tom & Janet Thomas
14th- AJ & Krystal Costillo
14th- Albert & Helen Bernhardt
16th- Darrel & Nancy Chesley
19th- Nathan & Amy Schroeder
24th- Darrel & Michal Herde
24th- John & Candy Johnson
26th- Eva & Kyle Cuckow

GIVE ONLINE:



July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Martin Beauprez BD	Women's Fellowship 1:30pm Karine Siedelberg BD	Food Truck 6:30a	Staff Meeting 2:00p Jeff Kammerzell & Cheyenne Lehr BD	Wayne Bader BD	Men's Breakfast 7:30a	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Praise & Prayer 6:30pm Kelvin Bernhardt, Scott Kennedy & Pat Rogers BD	Board Meeting 6:30pm Rhonda Aldridge & Delbert Forbes BD	Benjamin Ruyle & Elizabeth Miller BD	Food Truck 6:30a	Food Truck 6:30a	Chloie Cuckow BD	Julia Davis BD
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Skyler Wilson BD	Cole Kennedy BD				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Sarah Hawthorne & Sean Bowling BD	Megan Goddard BD	Steve McCaskill & Melissa Ryan BD	Patti Thibault BD	Luke Erker BD	Drevin Castillo BD	
28	29	30	31			
Madelyn Ruyle, Cindy Shoemaker, Jody Shipman, Karsyn Kerr & Deb Sample BD	Steve Paxton, Blake Stencil & Shilo Barkdoll BD					