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Pastor's Notes

The Challenge and Blessings of Fruitfulness

As we continue to move into summer, so many of the flowers are blooming; the trees have been fully leafed out for some time, although they have struggled throughout the dry winter and spring. So many evidences of the cycle of life are around us. Michal and I watch as the birds have built their nests and the babies have appeared and are hopping around our yard.

Seasonal birds have come along including hummingbirds.

As we witness all the beauty, sounds and smells of summer, we still are waiting for the fruit to mature. I see green raspberries and strawberries on the plants but very little red color to them yet. Our tomato plants may or may not make it this year but we watch, water and hope.

There are times, during the harsh summer months, we will see very little fruit but the raspberries are hearty and even flourish during semi-dry times. Of course, we have to be faithful to do our part by watering them every now and again. (I never knew, until I started writing this, that raspberries were spelled with a p. A silent p...)

That is the way it can be and mostly is in our relationship with the Lord. Sometimes we see the fruit of our relationship with Jesus growing, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. At other times there doesn't seem to be much growth. But in our Christian maturity, we know to keep doing our part. Keep doing the things God has put in front of us. Keeping watering and tending our souls with the hope of fruit.

The harshness and distractions of the world will continue to try and press themselves upon us but we know this... "The Lord will protect you from all evil; He will keep your soul. The Lord will guard your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forever." Psalm 121:7-8

The Lord...He is our keeper. He will not let us slip too far into the world or allow the world to slip too far into us. It is His good will for us to be fruit bearers. I am so thankful that He is the keeper of my soul for without Him, where would I be? Fruitless I have no doubt.

Thank you Lord...

In much love, Pastor Darrel

Ushers

7/5 Dave Goddard & Aaron Erker
7/12 Jerrod Mildenberger & Mike Schimpf
7/19 Scott Clement & Wayne Bader
7/26 Chris & Tammie Wick

Offering Stewards

7/5 Natalie & Bill
7/12 Mike & Sean
7/19 Yvonne & Glen
7/26 Wayne & Natalie

Greeters

7/5 Karen Johnson
7/12 Florence Barnett
7/19 Jerry & Donna Avey
7/26 Laura Lentell & Linda Tweedy

Children's Message

7/5 Cheryl & Priscilla
7/12 Tracy D
7/19 Patricia
7/26 Tracy D

Sunday School

7/5 Lovella & Natalie
7/12 Natalie & Tracy D
7/19 Tracy B & Tracy D
7/26 Lovella & Natalie

Children's Church

7/5 Tracy D
7/12 Tracy D
7/19 Sue & Donna
7/26 Sue & Donna



Happy Anniversary

July

- 2nd- James & Susie Bostron
- 2nd- John & Lisa Finegan
- 4th- Chris & Priscilla Franzen
- 6th- Kylie & Zach Harris
- 7th- Tom & Janet Thomas
- 7th- Justin & Chelsey Lee
- 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ☞ Craft Day! This is for all makers and crafters. Tuesday, July 7th at 10:30am. This is a space to have company while you work on a project, ask for help with a project, help us with a craft, or simply come for the lemonade and fellowship!
- ☞ Youth Camp- Our 2026 Youth Camp will be Week of Hope! Youth Camp takes place in Loveland and is open to children ages 11+. Week of Hope is a community service mission trip for Youth. Students will serve in the name of Jesus, stay together in a local church, and work on various community projects in the area. Youth Camp is July 26th-31st.
- ☞ Reminder that the last Friday of every month is Family Game Night! This is open to people of all ages as we have games for all ages. Board games and card games and dice games and more! We meet at 6:30pm and play games until about 9pm. Bring a snack to share and come have some fun! July 31st at 6:30pm.

Membership:

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. Gave Welcome Baby gifts to Shala Lehr and Brett Braida on the birth of Beau, Amanda and David Herbstman on the birth of Ezra, and Sydney Franzen and Grant Reed on the birth of Mallory.

Important Dates: July

Independence Day
Saturday the 4th

Communion
Sunday the 5th

Craft Day!!
Tuesday the 7th, 10:30am

Women's Fellowship
Tuesday the 7th, 1:30pm

Board Prayer Meeting
Tuesday the 7th, 6:30pm

Men's Breakfast
Saturday the 11th, 7:30am

Food Pantry Truck Delivery
Friday the 17th, 6:30am

Valley View
Sunday the 19th, 2pm

Board Meeting
Tuesday the 21st, 6:30pm

Youth Camp
July 26th-31st

Family Game Night
Friday the 31st, 6:30pm



Care Team

We continue to send Get Well cards and thinking of you cards to those in need. This is a community outreach not only our WCC family but all in the community who have lost loved ones. Care Team hosted a Taco Salad Luncheon June 22 for 19 folks at the Out West Senior Center. A time of fellowship was enjoyed by all.

Weekly Events:

Intercessory Prayer
Monday-Friday, 2pm

Women's Bible Study
Mondays 9:30am

Men's Group
Mondays 6:30pm

Women's Bible Study
Tuesdays 6:30pm

Youth Group
Wednesdays 6pm

Small Group
Thursdays 6:30pm
At The Franzen Home

Young Men's Bible Study
Saturdays 9am

Sunday School Classes
Sunday Mornings
At 9am

Women's Bible Study
Sundays 6pm

Sunday School
9:00am

EPIC Youth
Sundays at 9am

Sunday Service
10:00AM



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Sunday School: 9:00 AM

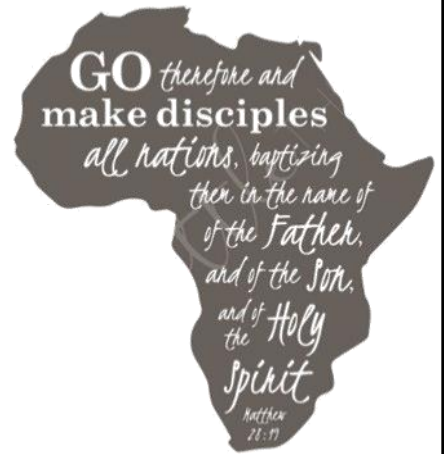
Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM

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Pastor Darrel Herde 785-527-1540

Foreign Missions Update

We continue to come along side of the ministry in Kenya. 16 children have been adopted so far, and the \$30 for each one is being sent each month to the FaithWay Communion Orphanage. \$100 each month is being sent to help the travel needs for the pastors who gather with Pastor Darrel. He is teaching classes with 12 Pastors on Zoom each month. Over \$2,000 was sent to the International Bible Society for Bibles. \$1,100 was raised through our VBS program this year. This means over 200 Bibles for adults, teens and children were provided in a place where poverty dictates will I eat for a week or buy a Bible if I can find one. Well, we have taken off the burden so many church members have felt. The churches are growing and they will continue to grow in Spirit and the love of God & Jesus as they spend time in the Word. I can't wait to get to heaven to see the harvest of this church's generosity in providing so many Bibles. Be in prayer for Pastor Darrel as he is hoping to return to Kenya in September for a Pastor's Conference and to visit the orphanage.



Jail Ministry Update

The jail ministry has been going very well! The Bibles that the church helps us purchase have been a huge blessing to the men and women. One of the inmates has learned to read because of the Bible that our church provided to him and he will ONLY read his Bible. The men have been meeting with him for the last year and a half and he gave his first teaching to Steve a couple of weeks ago about waiting on the Lord. Two of the ladies accepted the Lord this month and the women have been doing Bible study together during the week in the pod. It's so exciting to see God at work in all of their lives as well as ours. We continue to be so thankful for all of the prayers and financial support from our church!

Thank you and God bless!
JAIL ministry

Mission Committee

- ☞ Continue sharing concerns and joys on the texting and phone prayer chain
- ☞ Gave a gas card and \$138 for a utility for a family in need
- ☞ If you know a family in need please contact the church to see if we can help

2026 Vacation Bible School



What an incredible week we had at VBS! This year, our children embarked on an exciting journey through Ireland as they explored God's Word and learned that the Lord is our Shepherd. Throughout the five-day adventure, we welcomed an average of 45 children each day. Every day was filled with Bible lessons, Scripture study, games, crafts, and music. One of the highlights of the week was our Psalm 23 Scripture Memorization Challenge. We were thrilled to have four boys and four girls successfully memorize the passage. Their names were entered into a drawing for a special grand prize—a plane ride! For the boys, Daniel was drawn for the plane ride and Luke, Nando, and Jason received a \$50 gift card. For the girls, Brayleigh was drawn for the plane ride and Rylee, Linnea and Kinsley received a \$50 gift card. We also want to recognize Hannah, Henley, Isabella, and William who worked very hard to memorize Psalm 23. Although they didn't quite complete the

entire passage, their dedication was rewarded with \$25 gift cards. During our VBS Sunday celebration, these children recited Psalm 23 and shared some of the songs they learned throughout the week. It was a wonderful testimony to all that God had accomplished during VBS. Our mission project this year focused on providing children's Bibles for children in Kenya. The generosity of our VBS families was truly inspiring! The boys raised over \$660, while the girls raised over \$420 you all raised over \$1,100 to help place God's Word into the hands of children who need it.

Thank you to our incredible volunteers who gave their time and talents, those who provided snacks, everyone who prayed for the week, and the parents who entrusted us with their children. Your support helped make this year's VBS a success, and we give God all the glory for the lives that were touched.

We are already looking forward to next year!

JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 Happy 4th of July!!
5 Communion	6	7 Craft Day! 10:30am Women's Fellowship 1:30pm Board Prayer 6:30p Martin Beauprez BD	8	9 Karine Siedelberg BD	10	11 Men's Breakfast 7:30a
12	13	14	15	16 Skyler Harris, Rhonda Aldridge & Delbert Forbes BD	17 Jeff Kammerzell & Cheyenne Lehr BD	18
Wayne Bader BD	Julia Davis BD	Kelvin Bernhardt & Scott Kennedy BD	Skyler Wilson BD	Cole Kennedy BD		Elizabeth Miller & Benjamin Ruyle BD
19 Valley View Service 2pm	20	21 Board Meeting 6:30pm	22	23	24	25
Chloie Cuckow BD		Sean Bowling & Sarah Hawthorne BD	Megan Goddard BD	Melissa Ryan & Steve McCaskill BD	Kaleia Bernhardt BD	Patti Thibault & Nate Lermeny BD
26 July 26th-31st	27 Youth Camp	28 2026 Week Of Jody Shipman, Cindy Shoemaker, Deb Sample, Karsyn Kerr & Madelyn Ruyle BD	29 Hope Community	30 Service	Mission Trip!!	31 Family Game Night 6:30pm
Luke ErkerBD	Drevin Castillo BD		Jayce Davis BD	Steve Paxton, Shilo Barkdoll & Blake Stencel BD	Chris Larkin BD	