

Mid Week Update ~ July 21, 2021



Worship Assistants

NEEDED NOW

We need help so worship can run smoothly each week. Would you like to help Usher, Serve Communion, Read Scripture or Greet? Call or email the Church Office today!

Worship with us!

Saturdays | In-Person Only

5:30 PM

Sundays

In-Person or Online

10:00 AM

THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN

JOIN US LIVE HERE



We understand and respect that everyone's comfort levels for attending in-person worship are different. If you choose, we are providing stickers for you to wear to let people know your comfort level. **Green**=Ok with hugs & handshakes; **Yellow**=Ok with talking but not touching; **Red**=keeping your distance.



Take a GREEN sticker if you are ok with hugs & high fives!



Take a YELLOW sticker if you are ok with talking but not touching!



Take a RED sticker if you are keeping your distance!



We have not had the ability to receive some new members who joined Morning Star during the pandemic. We will be receiving new members on Sunday, *SEPTEMBER 12* at the 10 AM Worship Service.

If you have been interested in learning more about membership at Morning Star, let us know so Pastor Chris can meet with you and add you to our membership! Email Office@MorningStarOmaha.org or call 402-393-5553.



You are invited to join us IN PERSON for Bible Study every Wednesday at 10 AM! We will continue to broadcast on Facebook LIVE for those who are unable to attend. This week's study materials below:

Bible Study Sheet

First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44

Psalm Psalm 145:10-18

Second Reading Ephesians 3:14-21

Gospel John 6:1-21



Communion pick up can be arranged any time by contacting the Church Office. LIVE Worship Streaming will always be available on Facebook LIVE at 10 AM or shortly after the service ends on our website: www.MorningStarOmaha.org!



July Service Project

This month we will "STUFF THE BUS" with school supplies for the Westside Boys & Girls Club. Our bus is small but we'll make it mighty with your help! Find the mini "bus" pictured in the Gathering Space and drop off any school supplies by August 1. Suggested items are:

- No. 2 Pencils & Mechanical Pencils
- Hand Sanitizer
- Erasers
- Pens
- Crayons
- Washable Markers
- Spiral Notebooks
- Loose Leaf Paper
- Glue Sticks
- Safety Scissors
- Colored Pencils
- Water Bottles
- Pencil Boxes
- BACKPACKS!!!



Children

Check out our Children's & Youth Ministry page by clicking on the picture above for help to strengthen young people's faith at home! Your very own children's bulletin is HERE!

Youth

- Confirmation Stole Making on Wednesday, August 4, 6:30-7:30 PM in the Chapel for outgoing Confirmation students being confirmed this fall. If the July dates don't work, please arrange a time with Greta to get measured for your robe and get stole materials.
- Youth Room Facelift on Sunday, August 8 at 5 PM.
- Back to School BBQ on Sunday, August 22 at 5:30 PM at Pastor Chris' house.



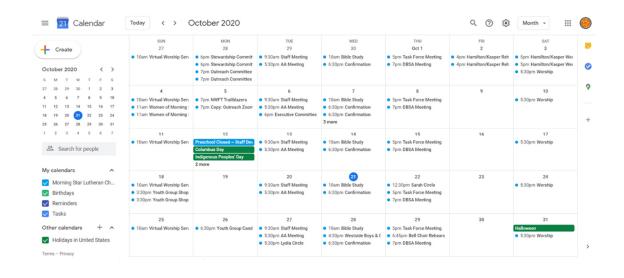
- Council welcomed our newest member, Lindsey Tonniges. We're excited for her to be part of Council!
- Our officers will remain the same for July 2021 June 2022: Jackie Froendt, President; Laurel Mooney, Treasurer; & Kim Hawkins, Jr., Treasurer.
- All committees are re-engaging post-COVID. If you're interested in serving on a committee, please reach out to the Church Office and let us know. We'd love to have you!





July 4	Gloria Miller	Available	Jan Dahlk
July 11	Janice Hass	Delores Albanese	Jan Dahlk
July 18	Jan Dahlk	Jan Dahlk	Jan Dahlk
July 25	Jan Dahlk	Jan Dahlk	Jan Dahlk

View Morning Star's online calendar by clicking below!



COVID-19 Guidelines Update (6/14/21)

Our Congregation Council met on Monday, June 14. Part of our agenda was to update our building and worship guidelines relative to COVID-19 and the rapidly decreasing infection rate in Douglas County. We recognize that not everyone in our worshipping community is vaccinated or feels completely safe to worship in-person. Nonetheless, we have made every effort to create a welcoming and safe space for all with the following guidelines:

- Masks will be encouraged, but optional.
- Hand sanitizer is freely available throughout our building, Gathering Space and hallways.
- Social distance areas have been designated in the rear of the sanctuary as well as in the Gathering Space.
- For those who wish to remain in their pews for Holy Communion, consecrated communion kits will be available at the Welcome Table prior to worship.
- Offerings plates will continue to be available at the Welcome Table prior to worship and will be presented to the Altar during the Offertory Response.
- Please sign attendance cards and place in offering plates at the Welcome Table.

- We will participate in the Sharing of the Peace. You may greet one another as you are comfortable doing so. Sharing the Peace of the Lord without touching or shaking hands is perfectly acceptable.
- The pastors will be available following the service for a greeting.
- We will begin to gradually introduce coffee & fellowship options that may require social distancing and individually wrapped treats.
- Our building is open to committees and groups upon scheduling with the church office.
- We are working on ways to record member attendance and communion for those who wish to continue worshipping at home.

Please know, every person in our worshipping community is valued and respected equally. Those who wish to worship with us virtually are every bit as important as those who attend in person. It is of the utmost importance that everyone feels safe, valued, and welcomed regardless of how they choose to participate in worship.



Wednesday, July 21

9 ^{AM} - 11:30 ^{AM} VBS

10 AM Bible Study (Conference Room)

Thursday, July 22

9 AM - 11:30 AM VBS

12:30 PM Sarah Circle's Pie in July (Conference Room)

7 PM DBSA (Chapel)

Friday, July 23

9 AM - 11:30 AM VBS

Saturday, July 24

5:30 PM Worship (Sanctuary)

Sunday, July 25

10 AM Worship (Sanctuary & Facebook Live)

Monday, July 26

Tuesday, July 27

9:30 ^{AM} Staff Meeting (Lg Conf Room) 5:30 ^{PM} AA Meeting (Chapel)

Wednesday, July 28

10 AM Bible Study (Conference Room)

Thursday, July 29

7 PM DBSA (Chapel)

Friday, July 30

Saturday, July 31

5:30 PM Worship (Sanctuary)

Sunday, August 1

10 AM Worship (Sanctuary & Facebook Live)



July 25 Readings

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Gospel John 6:1-21







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