

The Grapevine August 2025

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As we step into the month of August, we invite you to join us on a journey through the awe-inspiring visions of Revelation. This month's Scripture readings pull back the curtain on heaven's majesty, the cosmic battle between good and evil, and the glorious hope of God's ultimate victory.

From the throne room of God (Revelation 4) to the worship of the Lamb who is worthy to open the scroll (Revelation 5), we'll witness the unshakable sovereignty of Christ. We'll stand among the multitude from every nation (Revelation 7), face the sobering reality of spiritual opposition (Revelation 13), and finally behold the breathtaking promise of a new heaven and new earth (Revelation 21-22).

These passages remind us that no matter what unfolds in our world, God's purposes will prevail. His kingdom is unshakable, His justice is sure, and His love will triumph in the end. Let's open our hearts together to the Spirit's teaching as we explore these profound truths.

May this month deepen your worship, strengthen your faith, and fill you with hope as we fix our eyes on the One who makes all things new.

With love and blessings,

Rev. Mark Schlasner

Annandale UMC Giving and Attendance

Giving –July 2025 Attendance –July 2025

July 6, 2025 \$2,376.00 29 - in-person

81- online

\$715.00 4th of July Refreshment Stand Sales

\$1,520.00 July Mission March - Bldg./Maint. Fund

Bell Tower Repair

July 13, 2025 \$1,387.20 27 - in-person

106- online

\$555.00 July Mission March - Bldg./Maint. Fund

Bell Tower Repair

\$10.00 Fourth of July Fund

\$25.00 Apportionment Fund

July 20, 2025 \$1,247.00 16 - in-person

77 - online

July 27, 2025 \$1,306.00 20 - in-person

75 - online

General funds needed each week: \$2,638.78

July income as of 07/17/25: \$7,101.73

July expenses as of 07/17/25: \$7,468.30

2025 apportionments = \$11,690.00

Apportionments paid YTD = \$1,415.00



Our August Mission March, which will be taken during the first hymn on Sunday August 10, 2025, will go to apportionments. Apportionments are the share each annual conference or local church pays to support international, national, and local missions.



August Worship Themes

August 3, 2025 - Revelation 4:1-11 - The Elders and the Four Living Creatures

August 10, 2025 - Revelation 5:1-13 - The Seven Seals

August 17, 2025 - Revelation 7:9-17 - The Multitude from Every Nation

August 24, 2025 - Revelation 13:1-18 - The Beast and the Dragon

August 31, 2025 - Revelation 21:1-6; 22:1-5 - The New Heaven and the New Jerusalem



Blood Drive - Friday, September 5, 2025



The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at our church on Friday, September 5 from 10:00am -4:00pm.

Donors can schedule an appointment now by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



Annandale United Methodist Church invites the public to our annual corn feed on Monday, August 11, 2025 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. There will be sweet corn, brats and hot dogs, chips, desserts and beverages. A freewill offering can be given but is not required. Questions can be directed to the church office at 320-274-5127.



Coffee Fellowship Serving Groups

August 3, 2025: Judd & Barb Owen

August 10, 2025: Barb McNellis and Betsy

Gridley

August 17, 2025: Gerry & Ruth Bahe

August 24, 2025: Joni Walberg and Dianne

Engler

August 31, 2025: Need



Usher Schedule

August 3, 2025: Gerry Bahe

August 10, 2025: Shelly Anderson

August 17, 2025: Garry Elfstrand

August 24, 2025: Outdoor worship

August 31, 2025: Judd & Barb Owen



Join us for this year's National Night Out Party on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 from 6:00 – 7:30pm. Come out and meet your neighbors! Root beer floats will be served. The Police Department will visit our church at 6:45 pm.



August Birthdays

August 3	Rowan Sommers
August 3	Garry Elfstrand

August 12 Erin Bach

August 12 Norm Planer

August 15 Vern Powers

August 18 Cheryl Maki

August 18 Tom Ponsford

August 19 Sharon Schumacher

August 20 Adeline Anderson

August 20 Jim Anderson

August 22 Grace Jeppesen

August 26 Joyce Heberling

August 30 Logan Woods

August 31 Audrey Jones



Stop by our Rummage Sale on Thursday and Friday, August 21 and 22 from 8:00am – 5:00pm. Donations are still being accepted. They can be dropped

off at the church during office hours and on Sundays. We will gather items in the closet in the Fellowship Hall. Any large unsold items will need to be picked up by the donor. Questions may be directed to Audrey Jones or Sally Smith.



Join us for a refreshing morning of worship by the lake! August 24th, we'll gather outdoors for our regular service time at **8:30** AM.

Benches will be available, but you're

welcome to bring your own lawn chair if you'd like extra comfort. Don't forget sunscreen or a hat to stay shaded as we praise together in God's beautiful creation.

We can't wait to see you there!

We have a special opportunity to support Annandale Middle School by providing school supplies for students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Our goal is to fill five backpacks for each grade level with all the essentials they'll need for the school year. We'll be collecting all donations by August 10th—and here's some extra motivation: If we reach our goal, we'll celebrate with a breakfast pizza party on August 17th! Donations can be placed in the front pews in the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Mark.

Let's come together to make a difference for these students. Thank you for your generosity. Below are the specific items still needed. (Sign-up sheets are on the table under the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.)

- 15 fabric pouches
- 9 boxes colored pencils (12 pack)
- 20 notebooks
- 5 sets of 100 4x6 index cards
- 5 sets of 5-tab dividers
- 5 extra-wide fabric book covers and 5 book covers
- 10 packs small Post-It Notes (100 notes per pack 1 3/8" x 1 7/8")
- 10 packs wide loose-leaf paper
- 5 3-subject spiral notebooks
- 10 5-subject spiral notebooks
- 5 containers of Clorox wipes
- 15 1 ½" 3-ring binders
- 5-1" view 3-ring binders (see-through pocket on front cover)

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