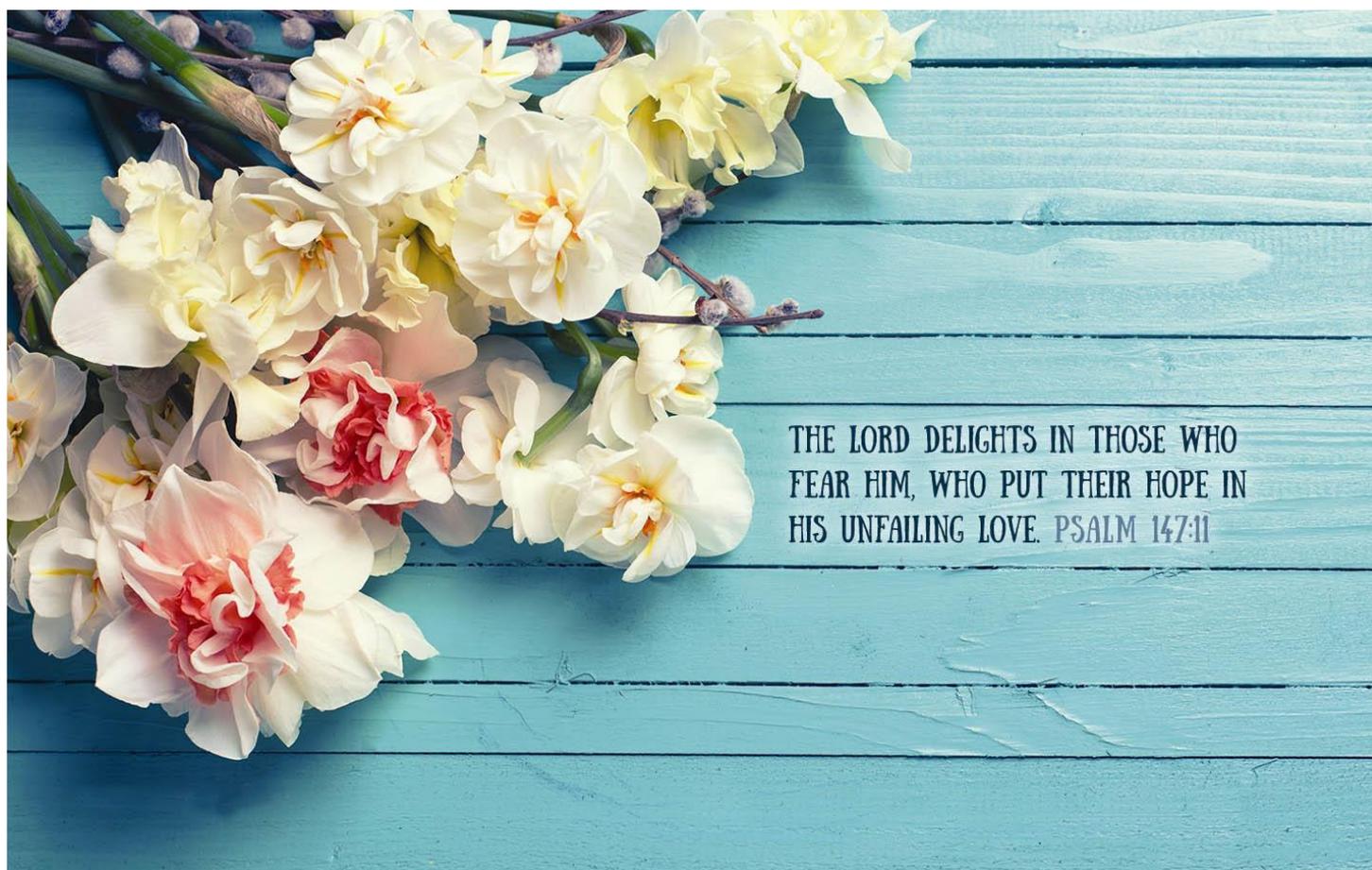


EUREKA BAPTIST CHURCH

# NEWSLETTER



THE LORD DELIGHTS IN THOSE WHO  
FEAR HIM, WHO PUT THEIR HOPE IN  
HIS UNFAILING LOVE. PSALM 147:11



Sunday

May 13

Mother's Day

Monday

May 28<sup>th</sup>

Memorial Day





## A Note from Pastor Seth

We all know what it is like to be let down by someone. A promise is made to us and the promise is broken. If we are honest, we also have to admit that we let people down. There is a word for what we experience and what we do far too often. That word is faithlessness. This means a lack of devotion or commitment to another whether in deed or word. No one ever wants to be described as faithless, but that is so often a good word to describe sinners in this world. People are not faithful to the people around them and they are not faithful to the most important One of all, God. At Eureka, we have been going through a sermon series on Genesis since September. One unmistakable theme is the faithfulness of God. As we see this attribute of God demonstrated it ought to impact us greatly.

Most recently we have seen his faithfulness shown in his relationship with Abraham. From our faulty human perspective, there is no reason for the Lord to be faithful to Abraham. The Lord called him and told him all of the ways that he would bless him. He promised him offspring, nation, and Land and Abraham responded in faith (Genesis 12:1-3). Abraham responded in true faith (Genesis 12:4; 15:6), yet this faith was accompanied by some lapses of faithlessness toward God along the way. The Lord promised him the Land of Canaan as his possession. Abraham listened and dwelt there a while, but then he went to live in Egypt. He was building him a new life in a place he was never meant to be (Genesis 12:10-16). The Lord graciously sent circumstances his way to steer him back to the Promised Land

(Genesis 12:17-20). Later, Abraham complained to the Lord and thought his servant, Eliezer of Damascus would be his heir (Genesis 15:2-3). The Lord told him that his servant would not be his heir, but his own biological son would be (Genesis 15:4). Abraham complained but the Lord told him that his promise to him still stood firm.

Abraham's greatest lapse of all was when he listened to the foolish plan of his wife Sara. Abraham and Sara were old and passed the point where a woman could naturally bear a child. Sara's plan was that she would give her servant woman Hagar to Abraham so that she could bear children for them. They thought since God did not bless us with a child, we will produce a child our own way. What they failed to believe was that God was going to accomplish his promise in her old age. He was going to make Sara pregnant beyond the age where women can get pregnant to bring glory to himself. This is God's way. He is the God of the impossible (Luke 1:37). What is humanly impossible is possible for him. Abraham should have trusted the Lord, but he doubted along the way. He gave in to Sara's foolish plan and had a child with Hagar. Abraham was faithless to the Lord once again.

Most humans reading this account probably wonder why the Lord did not abandon him at this point? He had already been unfaithful before and now he did it again. But incredibly the Lord remained faithful. He stood by Abraham because he made promises to him that he was going to keep. When one human is let down by another human he or she so often abandons ship. The thought typically is he or she was faithless to me

so why should I be faithful to him or her? In the Lord's relationship with Abraham he sets us the ultimate example. He is faithful because that reflects his perfect character. He is faithful to those who do not deserve it.

The Lord will never break any promise that he makes whether to Abraham or to us. What is remarkable is that even when we are faithless to the Lord he remains faithful to us. As we go through our journey of faith there are times when we have lapses of faith. Inevitably, we do sin and every sin is faithlessness to the Lord (Romans 3:23). But if we are indeed real, a true believer in Christ, our faithless lapses will only be temporary. We will be restored and continue walking with our God (1 John 1:9). The character of God is remarkable as the apostle Paul wrote, "If we are faithless, he remains faithful – for he cannot deny himself" (2 Timothy 2:13). At times, we all fall short in being faithful to the Lord and to other people, but the Lord's faithfulness is always steady. As we ponder the Lord's faithfulness this must lead us to praise him for how wonderful he is, and we should also strive to reflect him. We should desire to be steady in faithfulness to the Lord and to people in our life. We must desire to be faithful in everything that God calls us to whether in our love for him and our love for others. In this way we will reflect our great God and look more and more like him. Let us praise the Lord for his steady faithfulness to us!

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Seth

God is faithful

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Sunday Morning Service: 10:00am

\*Kid's Church during Service

Adult Sunday School: 9:00am

Bible Study Wednesdays: 6:30pm



## Good Friday Service

Eureka Baptist Church held a joint service with Trade River Evangelical Free Church. The service was lit by candle light and many contributed. A social was held following the Good Friday Service in the basement.



## Easter Sunday

HE IS RISEN! The Church was packed full for Easter Service. It was a great day to worship. Thank you to everyone that contributed music and readings.



## 2018 Men's Retreat

By Shaun Anderson

I was fortunate to attend a christen men's retreat in Frederic with a few of the men from Eureka Baptist and another 60 or so from other area churches.

High School was probably the last time I went to a retreat and that too was through Eureka Baptist in a youth group program.

The weather was not cooperating with us (the April snow storm we will all remember for years to come...over a foot of snow in two days). However, the retreat was a great time! The fellowship, learning, growing in faith, relaxation, games and food were all tremendous. Yes, they do serve great food at these retreats and that is always draws a crowd.

I was amazed to see some of the other attendees there from other churches. Some of the men that attended I knew but never knew were christens. It was fun to get to know them better and connect about our shared faith in Jesus Christ. I would've not expected to see some of these men at a Christian Retreat. For myself, it was empowering to see all these men sharing their faith in the Lord. What a great experience!

The next time you see that flyer for a christen retreat, please don't just pass it by thinking "I don't have time for that" or "that just isn't my thing." Pick it up, think twice about it. The Lord has blessed you with this opportunity. Take advantage of it. I'm so thankful I did, and I look forward to the next one!



A baby asked God, the Heavenly Father:

"They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?"

"Your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you."

The child further inquired, "But tell me, here in heaven I don't have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy."

God said, "Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you. In addition, you will feel your angel's genuine love and warmth, and you will be very happy."

Again, the child asked, "And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?"

God said, "Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care.

Your angel will lovingly teach you how to speak."

"And what am I going to do when I wish to talk to you?"

God said, "Your guardian angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray."

"Who will protect me?"

God said, "Your angel will defend you at all costs, even if it means risking its life."

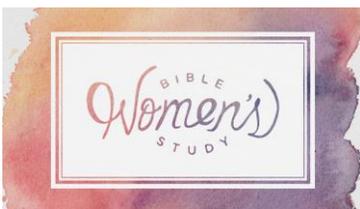
"But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore."

God said, "Your angel will always talk to you about Me and will teach you the way to come back to Me, even though I will always be next to you."

At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard and the child hurriedly asked, "God, if I am to leave now, please tell me my angel's name."

"You will simply call her, 'Mom'."

## Monthly Events



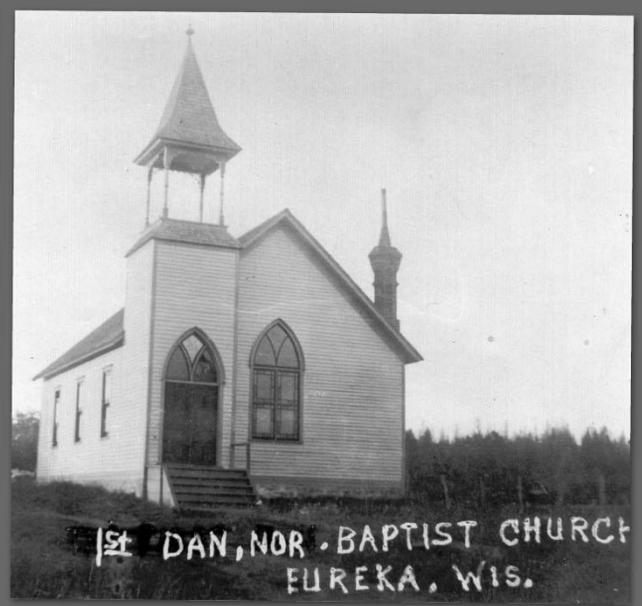
Women's Bible Study  
Saturday, May 5th  
9:00am



Men's Breakfast  
Saturday, May 12th  
8:00am



Kid's Night  
Saturday, May 26th  
6:00pm-7:00pm



In 1893 a nice, spacious church building was erected, located on CR G/230<sup>th</sup> Street. This building was used until the present building was built in 1923. Windows from the old building were used in the new structure. The cross at the front of the church was made from the stained glass of those windows.



## Weekly Events



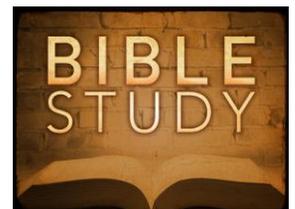
Adult Sunday School  
Sunday Mornings  
9:00am



Morning Service  
Sunday Mornings  
10:00am



Kids Church  
Sunday mornings during  
Morning Service



Bible Study  
Wednesday Evenings  
6:30pm

## 2018 Board Members

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## Church Announcements



It's almost time for Vacation Bible School!!!  
Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup>  
Would you like to help? Please talk with Pastor Seth.  
More details will be in the June Newsletter

Kid's Night  
Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup>  
6:00-7:00pm



# NEW BOOKS

New books have been added to the Church Library! If you decide to barrow one, please fill out the clip board on the side of the book shelves.

only one life  
'twill soon be past  
only what's done  
for Christ  
will last

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## Church Mowing

If you're interested in helping out with the church mowing schedule, please talk with Shaun. A sign-up sheet is posted at the back of the church.  
Mower and gas are provided.



## Happy Birthday!!

Roald Johnson 5/15  
Annabelle Hall 5/24

## Happy Anniversary!!

Jeremiah & Shaila Johnson 5/20

*Do we have your birthday and anniversary?  
We'd love to pray for you on your special day!  
Please email your information to Amber!  
J.a.lindo@hotmail.com*



## Words About...the Christian Life

The Christian life is not a parking lot;  
it is a launching pad!

“Life is wasted if we do not grasp the glory of the cross,  
cherish it for the treasure that it is,  
and cleave to it as the highest price of

every pleasure and the  
deepest comfort in every pain.

What was once foolishness to us—a crucified God—  
must become our wisdom and our power and our  
only boast in this world.”

—John Piper

“Look for every opportunity to encourage someone. You  
don’t know who is wrestling with demons that could end  
his or her life that day. A kind word comes from God. Be  
brave enough to act on it.”

— Aaron Behr

God never said the journey would be easy but He did say the arrival  
would be worthwhile. —Max Lucado

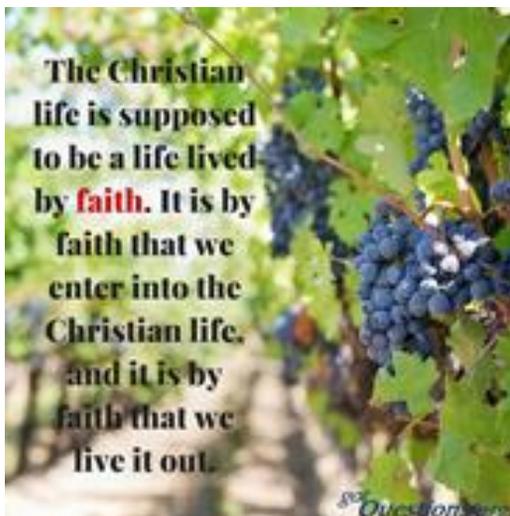
Relying on God has to start all over every day, as if nothing has yet  
been done.

—C. S. Lewis

The greater your knowledge of the goodness and grace of  
God on your life, the more likely you are to praise Him in  
the storm. —Matt Chandler

“God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in  
Him” —John Piper

“Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we  
are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day  
by day. For our light and momentary troubles are  
achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them  
all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is  
unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is  
unseen is eternal.” —2 Corinthians 4:16-18



Submitted by Barbara Trombley

You have probably heard the couplet, “Only one life  
’twill soon be past, only what’s done for Christ will last.”  
But did you know they are a portion of a much longer  
poem?

### Only One Life By C.T. Studd

Two little lines I heard one day,  
Traveling along life’s busy way;  
Bringing conviction to my heart,  
And from my mind would not depart;  
Only one life, ’twill soon be past,  
Only what’s done for Christ will last.

Only one life, yes only one,  
Soon will its fleeting hours be done;  
Then, in ‘that day’ my Lord to meet,  
And stand before His Judgment seat;  
Only one life, ’twill soon be past,  
Only what’s done for Christ will last.

Only one life, the still small voice,  
Gently pleads for a better choice  
Bidding me selfish aims to leave,  
And to God’s holy will to cleave;  
Only one life, ’twill soon be past,  
Only what’s done for Christ will last.

When this bright world would tempt me sore,  
When Satan would a victory score;  
When self would seek to have its way,  
Then help me Lord with joy to say;  
Only one life, ’twill soon be past,  
Only what’s done for Christ will last.

Give me Father, a purpose deep,  
In joy or sorrow Thy word to keep;  
Faithful and true what e’er the strife,  
Pleasing Thee in my daily life;  
Only one life, ’twill soon be past,  
Only what’s done for Christ will last.

Only one life, yes only one,  
Now let me say, ”Thy will be done”;  
And when at last I’ll hear the call,  
I know I’ll say “’twas worth it all”;  
Only one life, ’twill soon be past,  
Only what’s done for Christ will last.



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