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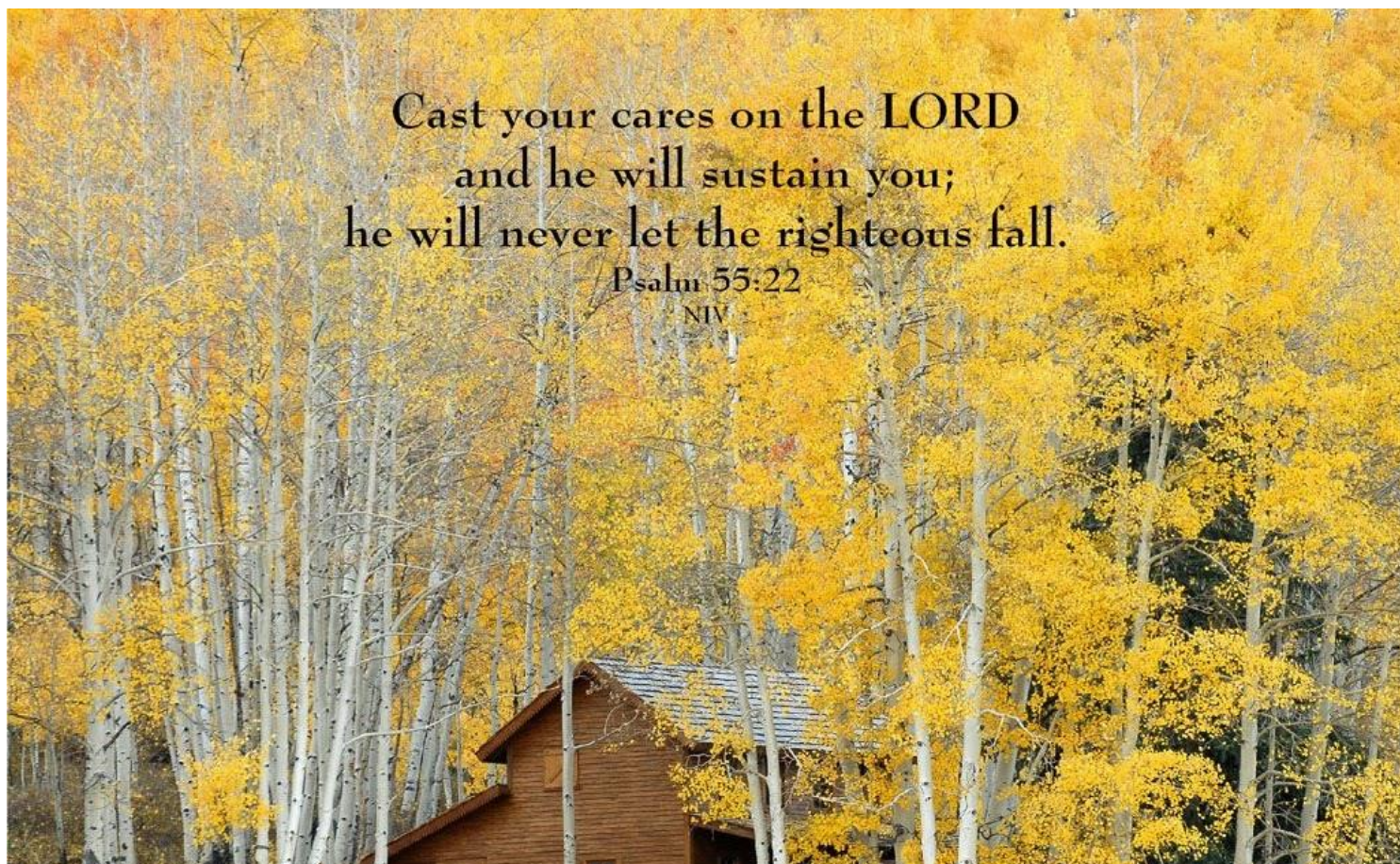


EUREKA BAPTIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

Cast your cares on the LORD
and he will sustain you;
he will never let the righteous fall.

Psalm 55:22
NIV



**Youth Group
Event**

Saturday
October 16

Bible Study

Wednesday evenings
6:30pm



**Quarterly Business
Meeting**

Sunday
October 17



A Note from Pastor Seth

I am not a tinfoil hat conspiracy theorist. I never have been and never will be. I believe the earth is round. I believe we landed on the moon. I do not believe that 9/11 was an inside job. I do not commend Alex Jones to anyone. I do not, of course, believe that the disciples stole the body of Jesus (Matthew 28:13, the oldest conspiracy theory there is). Yet, many people might slander me and many others with this insulting designation. Apparently, the number of conspiracy theorists out there has never been higher, or is there something else going on? My mother recently shared a meal with some of her relatives. At that meal the conversation inevitably turned toward the cultural climate in America. One of my relatives told my mother that, "Anyone who does not receive the Covid-19 vaccine is evil." That is quite a statement! Now if one is going to call someone a conspiracy theorist or evil clear evidence needs to be provided to make such claims. I can say without hesitation that those who are adamantly pro-abortion are evil because the evidence is obvious. Aborting a baby stops a beating heart; it ends a vulnerable life. This is scientific fact. But when one calls another a conspiracy theorist or evil for not taking the vaccine this designation is unjustified. Tens of millions of Americans have decided not to get the vaccine and they should not be called conspiracy theorists or evil for making that decision. Any choice we make we weigh the risks and rewards. We get into our car all the time because we believe we will safely arrive at our destination. But when people decide whether or not to introduce a new chemical into their body careful consideration should be given. Tens of millions of Americans have decided not to take the vaccine and they have reasons for holding to such a position.

They believe that the risk is not worth the potential reward the vaccine may provide. As the months have gone by the effectiveness of the vaccine has shown lacking. Furthermore, there have been negative side effects by some who have received the vaccine; even severe. Now if you received the vaccine it is not my intention to scare you. The vaccine may work for you and my prayer is that it will, but I bring this up to show that people are not crazy or evil for refusing the vaccine. Some of the most well renowned Physicians in the world, such as Peter McCullough, have provided reasonable justification for those who have decided not to get it.

But the point I want to make is that we are experiencing a crisis of credibility in the world and in our country. The problem with true conspiracy theorists is that they see a conspiracy under every rock. They think that every authority is corrupt and no matter how much evidence is produced they will still continue with their irrational theory. But in America right now many good reasonable people are being called conspiracy theorists, anti-science, evil, and other names. The question we should be asking is why are these baseless insults being thrown out and where is this coming from? To call one a conspiracy theorist, who is not, is name-calling. In fact, those who resort to it, do so, because they have nothing else. When one of my relatives called the non-vaccinated evil he is, in fact, the one practicing evil. He does not consider the reasons for those refusing the vaccine and instead goes along with the talking points of the elite mainstream establishment (media, politicians in power, Hollywood, and much of Academia) who want to tell people what they can and cannot do. They want absolute authority over people's lives. Power is a drug and they cannot live without it.

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Sunday Morning Service: 10:00am

*Kid's Church during Service

Sunday School: 9:00am

But what we are seeing right now is a credibility crisis with the mainstream establishment. Trust is earned and when it is broken the common man rightly becomes suspicious, and the name-calling without facts only furthers the suspicion and lack of trust. Now as I write this some might ask, "Pastor Seth, why throw yourself into this discussion. You are a pastor, should you not stay in your lane?" My answer is that this is my concern because truth is my concern. God has called me to be a minister of the gospel – to be a proclaimer of truth. One American pastor's ministry is called, "All of Christ for all of life." Christ is Lord over all of the universe. All Christians should apply their biblical convictions in the public square. I am especially concerned because Satan's work is advancing at high speeds right now. The Bible says that, "the whole world lies in the power of the evil one" (1 John 5:19). As a pastor I want to call out what he is doing. I want to expose him. I want to help stop his agenda. Next time you hear baseless name-calling realize who is ultimately behind this. Satan wants evil people to gain more power, to further advance his agenda, and he wants those opposed to his agenda to be further maligned in society. His tactics have worked quite well over the last couple of years as many have been deceived, but many see what he is doing and may many more not give credibility to his evil agenda. God's people need to push back. We need to speak the truth. We need to shine light in the darkness "in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation" (Philippians 2:15).

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Seth

Mission Missions reach

Stout Family: Croatia

Thank-you for your prayers and support for us here in Zadar, Croatia! Here are some praises and prayer requests, with a couple of pictures and a short video.

PRAISE THE LORD:

Zadar Baptist Church did an evangelist outreach here at our peninsula square with a German team of about 80 people. Many shared their testimonies, drama, songs, and Brian was able to share the Gospel in a minute in Croatian. (see video below)

Debby and Isaiah, Benji, Grace and Hope are all doing homeschool/dual enrollment. Grace has also started tennis and Hope gymnastics here in Zadar.

Praise God that Tino, a young college man, recently shared his testimony in church and will be getting baptized in the sea on September 26.

Praise the Lord that we are able to fly to Macedonia next weekend, to attend Igor's wedding (who many of you know), who is marrying a godly woman from Croatia!

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Housing, about 3 weeks ago, our landlord told us that he sold his apartment below us and is moving into our apartment. Thus, we need to move. We have 2 good potential homes here in Zadar that actually fits a family of 7, one is a yellow house and other blue. Pray for God's wisdom and peace!

Pray for salvation of Marko who is seeking the Truth and Kreso and Martina our dear neighbors to know JESUS CHRIST

Pray for Pastor Ivan and his wife Irena and 2 young kids, Luka and Noella, for wisdom as a pastor. Below is a picture of his ordination. He is wearing the white shirt and tie.

Pray for start up of Fall Activities: Croatian Classes, Theology Training together with Pastor Ivan, helping out with youth in church, raising & preparing to launch our kids and even praying about timing of next year's home service

Hvala za molitve! Božji blagoslov! Thanks for your prayers! God's blessings!





2021 River Road Ramble was a huge success! Many were able to clean house a bit and bring items to the church sale. Hundreds visited, found treasures, and left a donation on their way out. The money will go to our church youth events.



Monthly Events



Women's Bible Study
Saturday, October 2
9:00am



Men's Breakfast
Saturday, October 9
8:00am



Marriage Bible Study
Monday, October 4



This past summer, a number of kids attended bible camps. Sophie Lindo and Tessa Becker attended Grindstone's week-long camp in July. Drew and Lillie Lindo attended in August. They all learned a lot and made some great friends. Grindstone Lake Bible Camp is located just out of Sandstone, MN.



Weekly Events



Sunday School
Sunday Mornings
9:00am



Morning Service
Sunday Mornings
10:00am



Fridays
Matson Building
9:30am



Kids Church
Sunday mornings during
Morning Service

2021 Board Members

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Church Announcements

- **Thank you** everyone that helped with River Road Ramble!
- **Marriage Bible Study** is Monday, October 4th at 6:30pm.
- Interested in becoming a **member of Eureka Baptist Church**? Please talk with Pastor Seth.
- Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm for **Bible Study!**
- Please watch for details to come out about the **Youth Event** on Saturday, October 16.
- There will be a **Quarterly Business Meeting** on Sunday, October 17 after morning service.
- **Church Cookbooks** are still available! \$10.00 A great Christmas gift!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Lisa Olson 10/15, John Chouinard 10/23, Roger Swanson 10/23, Nancy Hahn 10/24, Lori Brooks 10/26, Doug Olson 10/28, Alethia Brickley 10/28

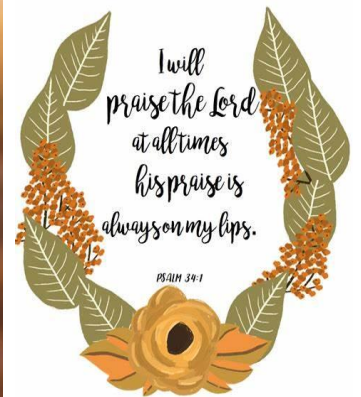
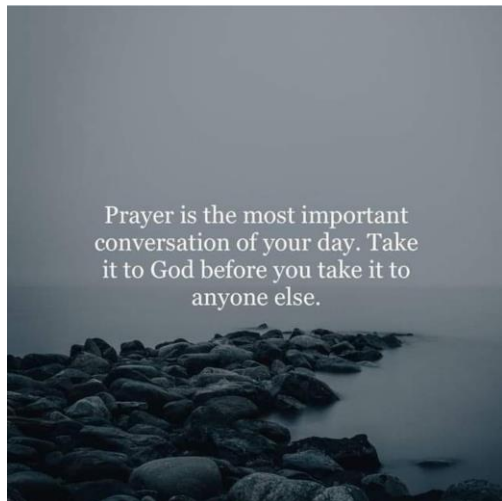
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Bob & Debi Swanson 10/3, Jason & Heather Taylor 10/12, Jeff & Amber Lindo 10/28



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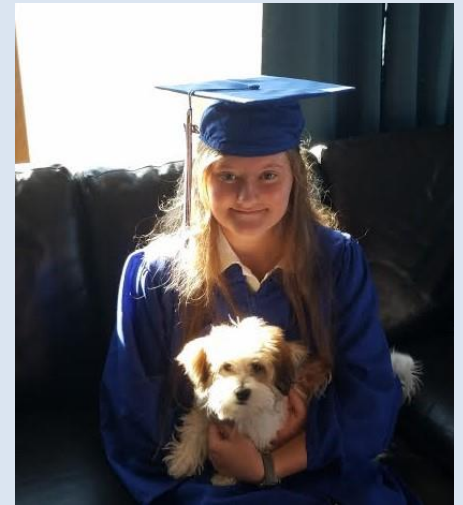


Sophie Lindo shared about her time at Bible Camp during the summer.

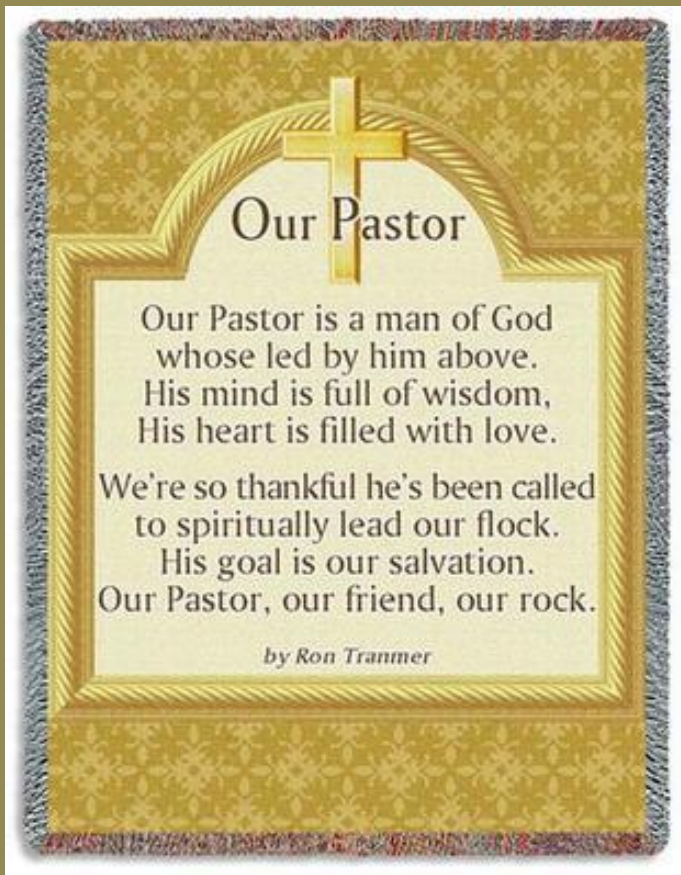




The children in Children's Church started a new book in September. This redemption study is geared just for them!



Congratulations to Mandi Taylor!!
Mandi is planning on attending Faith Baptist Bible College in Ankeny, Iowa beginning Spring Semester this school year (January 2022). She will be taking Biblical Worldview studies.



Thank you to Heather Taylor and Mollie Taylor for providing the church with wonderful music in September!



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