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August 2021 Newsletter

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I decided to replace the monthly message from the pastor with this story I found on the internet. I thought it was very thought-provoking — Thank You, Google.

~Barb

In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. He then hid himself and watched to see if anyone would move the boulder out of the way. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and couriers came by and simply walked around it.

Many people loudly blamed the King for not keeping the roads clear, but none of them did anything about getting the stone out of the way.

A peasant then came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to push the stone out of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded.

After the peasant went back to pick up his vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been.

The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the King explaining that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway.

Moral of the story:

Every obstacle we come across in life gives us an opportunity to improve our circumstances, and while the lazy complain, the others are creating opportunities through their kind hearts, generosity, and willingness to get things done.

JUMC Office Hours - Mondays thru Thursdays from 8:00 to 11:00.



Liturgists in August

August 1
Lorraine Hallberg

August 8
Sharon Heiser

August 15
Barb Hamlyn

August 22
Jean Eibey

August 29
Nancy Beenblossom

Guest Speakers in August

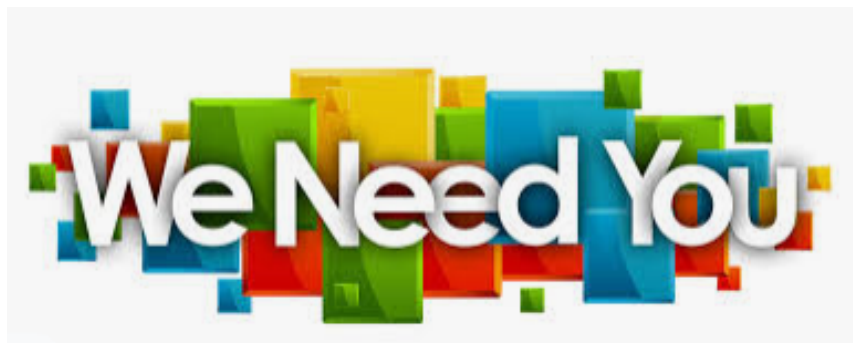
August 1
Pat Benda

August 8
Ethan Kober

August 15
Rev. Fred Lewis

August 22
Rev. Jan Burnett

August 29
John Cooper



Volunteers are needed!

If you would like to help serve our church in ANY way (as a liturgist, or an usher, or anything you would like to do to help serve God and His church), please contact Sharon Heiser, Nancy Beenblossom, or the church office.

Ushers are needed! Any Sunday that works for you can be adjusted into the schedule!

August Birthdays and Anniversaries

August Birthdays

Amy Shook	8/3
Bailey Carlisle	8/5
Sandra Johnson	8/5
Cody Bertram	8/5
Cory Bertram	8/5
Dee Ann Hinders	8/6
Gloria Freilinger	8/6
Joe Kessel	8/6
Dan Brace	8/7
LaVonne Dorman	8/7
Margaret Shepard	8/7
Davis Kidder	8/9
Nikki Haan	8/10
Kaitlyn Brocka	8/11
Maranda Mills	8/11
Andi Marie Shook	8/11
Colleen Liming	8/12
Lois Boeck	8/16
Shannon Brocka	8/16
Hunter Destival	8/16
Steve Dobbs	8/16
Earl (Wil) Spencer	8/16
Jack Lockett	8/17
Markella Stratiou	8/17
Christian Heiser	8/17
Brandi Jans	8/18
Tyler Osborn	8/18
Betty Betsinger	8/24
Lexi West	8/24
Velma Rice	8/25
Tom Brickman	8/26
Kathleen Knapp	8/26
Barb Reid	8/26
Mickey Baker	8/26
Lee Ackerson	8/27
Tyler Robinson	8/27
Dalton Woodyard	8/27
Rylee Johnson	8/27
Angie Destival	8/29
Lynnley Barr	8/29
Michael Burkes	8/30
Vicki Fisher	8/30
Jacob Yochum	8/30
Andrew Heins	8/31

August Anniversaries

Shawn & Jenifer Cooper	8/5
Brad & Colette Ruth	8/5
Tim & Cindy Nisius	8/8

Please notify the church office if we have missed a birthday or anniversary so we can publish it next year.



We did not have VBS this summer, but Sunday School WILL be starting up again in the fall. More details will be coming soon!

MISSIONS



Imagine No Malaria

The mosquitoes have arrived!! Luckily the ones in our sanctuary are cute and harmless. Unfortunately, over half of our world is at risk from malaria-carrying mosquitoes. Over 400,000 people die from malaria every year - most of these are children. **Malaria is 100% preventable.** A single insecticide-treated net can protect a whole family.



Let's help rid the world of malaria. The Missions Committee will be taking donations through August. Make your checks out to the church and put "malaria" in the memo part. And feel free to take one of our cute mosquitoes home as a reminder to pray for an end to this terrible disease.

Shepherds

Our JUMC Shepherds go out and visit nursing homes and shut-ins who are members or friends of our congregation. The list of people to visit gets longer all the time, so any volunteers to help would be greatly appreciated. The next Shepherds meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 14** in Court Chapel.

If you would like more information or meeting times and schedules, contact the church office or Janet Destival.



If all goes well, the ladies of the UMW plan to start meeting again in September. Information and dates will be in the September Newsletter.

Mens' Prayer Breakfast

Gary Shaulis is considering starting up the monthly Mens' Prayer Breakfast. If you are interested in helping or just want to get back to meeting for prayer and fellowship, contact Gary so he knows if there is an interest in starting up again in October.



Prayer Requests

Our JUMC Shepherds plan to resume visiting shut-ins and nursing home residents in September.

Prayers for our Shepherds and those who will be visited by them:

- Flo Shephard
- Marlys Cook
- De & Carol Dix
- Georgia Eibey
- Marilyn Taylor
- Harriet Schares
- Bill Burman
- Evelyn Wubbena
- Lois Boeck
- Lorraine Hallberg
- Lolita Huber
- Lavonne Dorman



God Hears Prayer

Please keep them in your prayers

- Tom & Char Brickman
- Wendy Brace
- Johnny & Esther Folkerds
- Barry Huber
- Karen Borglum
- Dorla Dutcher
- Jane Fauser's sister

Prayers of comfort for the families who have recently lost loved ones:

- Geary & Jean Eibey's long-time friend
- Roberta DeMott
- Marilyn Cox

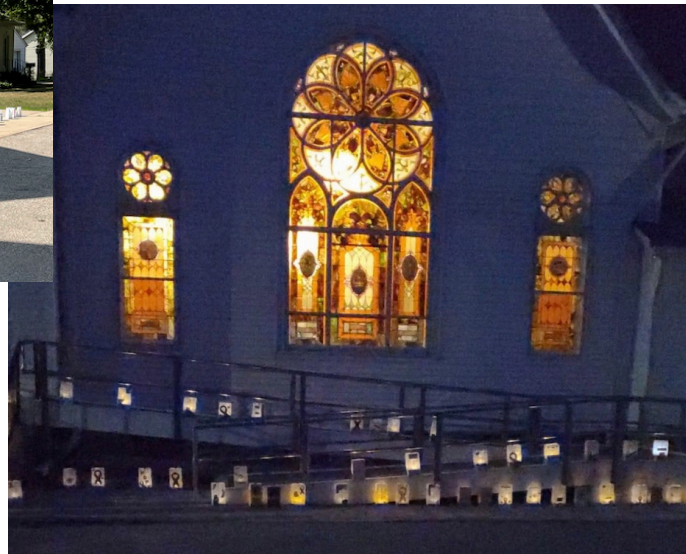
Please notify the church office if you, yourself, or someone you know needs to be put on our prayer lists. Our lists are in need of updating, and your help would be greatly appreciated.



Luminaria Display on Sunday, July 11

Our Luminaria Display was a great success! \$1,160.00 was collected In Honor and In Memory of loved ones who have battled cancer. This money was donated to the American Cancer Society to help fight that battle.

Many thanks to Jean & Melissa Eibey, Lisa Kiene, and everyone who helped, make this such a great success!



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

AMEN

On Sunday, July 18 our guest speaker was Pat Benda.
Included in her message was a Litany on the Lord's
Prayer. Let's take some time to think about it.

Litany on the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name -- the prayer that is always worshipful, the prayer that is always reverent. **(As we pray this prayer, not once do we say "I".)**

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven -- the prayer that is always assuring, the prayer that is always trusting. **(In praying The Lord's Prayer, never do we say "my".)**

Give us this day our daily bread -- the prayer that is always sufficient for our needs, the prayer that is always faithful. **(And when we ask for daily bread we must include our sisters and brothers.)**

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us -- the prayer that is always compassionate, the prayer that is always filled with grace. **(When we pray The Lord's Prayer, we pray for one another.)**

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil -- the prayer that is always liberating, the prayer that is always all-encompassing. **(For others are included in each and every plea. From the beginning to the end, it does not once say "me".)**

For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours forever and ever-more -- the prayer that is always steadfast, the prayer that is always constant.

Amen and Amen

"The Lord will guide you continually, watering your life when you are dry and keeping you healthy, too. You will be like a well-watered garden, like an ever-flowing spring."

(Isaiah 58:11, NLT)



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.

When my arms can't reach people who are close to my heart...

I always hug them with my prayers.



www.lazypoodle.com



Lisa Kiene is hosting a card shower for her parents' 50th wedding anniversary on August 14.

Their information is:

Tom & Sue Quinn
1207 M Avenue
Reinbeck, IA 50669



Ask God to let the Sun shine on your summer.



FREE FREE FREE

If anyone is interest in an HP1512 printer, scanner, copier - you can pick it up from the church office for FREE! It is in good working condition and also has brand new black and color ink cartridges to go with it.