

Church Office Hours 8-4 Mon-Fri,
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Discipleship Classes 9am

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PO Box 56
Carney, MI 49812
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Worship Service 10am

Serving This Week: July 20, 2025

Worship Leader: Jack Heyer
Song Leader: Caleb Meissner
Livestream: Laura Strietzel
Tim Strietzel
Greeters: Ray & Jan Betters
Ralph Gearhart
Children's Church: Megan Meissner
Toddlers: Elizabeth Heyer & Autumn Meissner
Nursery: Laura Strietzel & Greta Meissner

Serving Next Week: July 27, 2025

Worship Leader:
Song Leader: Haley Kuntze
Livestream: Tristan Kacynski
Krystle Kuntze
Greeters: Don Ihander
Don & Gwen Gearhart
Children's Church: Connie Olson
Toddlers: Diane Brazelton & Timmy Moreau
Nursery: Sue Mulheron & Liberty Imhoff

Facilities Team On-Call July: Jack Heyer (920) 655-0835

Kitchen Serving On-Call July: Connie Olson, Diane Rhode, Linda Triest

Kitchen Clean-up On-Call July: Jackee Schaff, Sharon Erving,
Hazel Johnson

Budgeted July:	14,043.08	Budgeted YTD:	101,812.23
Received July:	6,477.00	Received YTD:	108,087.03
Spent July:	11,161.40	Spent YTD:	118,791.91*

*Includes the repayment of the Spiritual Ministry Fund 11,464.94



Thank you for letting the Lord give through you to sustain the ministries of Carney Free Church! You can use the offering boxes in the lobby on Sundays to give in person, or if you would like to give online (one-time or regularly), please point your camera at this code. Hold it until it opens a link. Click on the link.



ORDER OF SERVICE
July 20, 2025

Opening Song

Welcome & Call to Worship

Greet One Another
Congregational Songs

Congregational Scripture Reading
Psalm 32:1-7
Prayer

Congregational Songs
(Children's Church K-3 Dismissed)

Message: Pastor Bob Norris
"Waking Up to Reality"
Jonah 2:1-10 (pg 774)

Congregational Song
Before You Go
Benediction

The mission of Carney Evangelical Free Church
is to make fervent and obedient disciples
of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 28:18-20)

Waking Up To Reality

Jonah 2:1-10

July 20, 2025

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- His description of circumstances would cause most to say that there is no hope
- But God listened to his cry for help

2. God Is Behind The Circumstances Surrounding The Person Who Says “No” – vs. 3

3. God’s Discipline Of Those Who Say “No” Is Thorough – vs. 4-7a

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1. David begins his psalm by commanding his readers to bless the Lord and then lists off several benefits of the relationship that come to mind in vs. 1-5. Make a list of those items and attempt to identify the incidents in David’s that he might have been thinking of.
2. David turns his focus from himself to the children of Israel under slavery and bondage in Egypt through the wilderness wanderings to the Promised Land in the balance of the Psalm.
 - In what ways does the Lord work both righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed (vs. 6-7)?
 - What incidents in the Exodus from Egypt season (Exodus 13 – Numbers 14) would illustrate the Lord’s actions described in vs. 8?
 - Verse 9 refers to God’s patience coming to an end and the withdrawing of benefits for a time listed in verse 8. What incident comes to mind from the Exodus from Egypt season in the nation’s history (Exodus 13 – Numbers 14)?
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TODAY

8:45am	Café Corner
9am	Discipleship Groups
9:30am	Prayer on the Balcony
10am	Morning Service
11:30am	Congregational Potluck & Quarterly Meeting

THIS WEEK

July	22	7:30am	Men's Bible Study
		11am	Care Team Meeting

COMING SOON

July	27	1:30am	Outreach & Missions Meeting
		6pm	Fireside Fellowship at Charley Burk's (maps at the Welcome Center)
	28	2-3:30pm	5 Day Club ages 5-12
	29	7:30am	Men's Bible Study

PRAYER FOR OUR FUTURE PASTOR & OUR CHURCH

We are praying for our future pastor & his family on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays – for our church on Tuesdays – and for our Transition Team on Tuesday & Thursdays.

Monday July 21, Pray that our Pastor will seek God for personal revival in our Church and community.

Tuesday July 22, Pray for our future Pastor to faithfully shepherd the Church and for the members to place themselves willingly and joyfully under his servant leadership.

Wednesday July 23, Pray that our Pastor will strive for personal excellence and will believe God for all He wants to do in the congregation.

Thursday July 24, Pray for wisdom as decisions are made.

Friday July 25, Ask God to heal any hurts that our Pastor has suffered in the ministry.

NEWS & NOTES

This week please **pray for LLBC staff and our campers** who will be attending camp. James Charles & Sierra Schwark will be attending Teen 2 July 21 – 26.

CHURCH POTLUCK PICNIC SIGN UP is located on the Welcome Center, on our website or at the link below. If you sign up at the Welcome Center, Susie will update the website. Thank you!
<https://www.perfectpotluck.com/meals.php?t=GEJL1995>.
August 10 10am Service at Lake Lundgren Bible Camp.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTISED? Baptisms will be at LLBC on Aug 10. Please talk to an Elder.

5 DAY CLUB will be on July 28-August 1. If you are able to donate snacks, please leave them in the kitchen. Thanks!

A LAWNMOWING SIGNUP sheet is at the Welcome Center. Thank you!

AUG 31 HOST A FIRESIDE FELLOWSHIP Fireside Fellowship is an enjoyable time around the fire catching up and worshiping God. Those that come will bring snacks and Michelle or someone will lead songs. If you are interested in hosting Aug 31, let the office know.

LADIES RETREAT held at LLBC is September 5-7. The theme this year is "I Am The Vine and You are the Branches." John 15:4-5 Brochures are available at the Welcome Center.

There are **Thank you cards** from Griffin & Kylee Brown; Phil & Kristen; & Lake Lundgren Bible Camp on the westside entrance bulletin board.

An Updated **letter from Will & Elena Strasburg Family** is on the Welcome Center.

There are updated newsletters from the **Derocher family & Bay Area Pregnancy Center** located on the eastside entrance bulletin board and at the Missions Center.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Monday	Genesis 43:1-14	Friday	Genesis 45:1-28
Tuesday	Genesis 43:15-34	Saturday	Genesis 46:1-27
Wednesday	Genesis 44:1-17	Sunday	Genesis 46:28-47:12
Thursday	Genesis 44:18-34		