



The Messenger

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COMING WORSHIP SERVICES

*** August 24 Matthew 16:13-17

"It Has to Be Personal"

In asking the disciples about who others said He was, Jesus sets them up for his next question, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answers, "You are the Christ (the Savior) the Son of the living God." Jesus commends Peter for this.

Jesus wants it to be personal with Him and us!

*** August 31 Matthew 16:21-26

"The Greatness of Sacrifice and Self-Denial"

Jesus rebukes Peter in this section of scripture because Peter had denied the need for Jesus to sacrifice His life for the world. Jesus says that sacrifice (and self denial) are a part of God's plan for Him and for us!

*** September 7 Pastor on Gone on Vacation
Gwen Hoffman preaching

*** September 14 Matthew 6:7-9

"Our Father in Heaven"

Communion & Bibles

This Sunday will begin a series on the Lord's Prayer. We will be learning how to pray and specifically the pattern that Jesus taught us. We will begin by looking how Jesus teaches about a "father" in heaven.

Times of worship -

- Saturday Worship 6:00 pm
- Sunday Worship 10:00 am

On Sept 7th time of worship on Sunday will change to 10:30



SIGN-UP FOR PRAYER PALS IS FROM SEPT. 2ND TO SEPT. 19TH.

SIGN-UP WILL BE ON OUR WEBSITE AND IN BULLETIN INSERTS. YOU MAY ALSO CALL THE CHURCH (792-1122) OR E-MAIL US AT CARROLLUMC@MSN.COM.

THIS YEAR WETEAM IS OFFERING 2 OPTIONS:

- 1) TRADITIONAL SECRET PRAYER PALS
- 2) SPIRITUAL FRIENDS (TWO PEOPLE KNOWN TO EACH OTHER, PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER)

LET US LIFT UP EACH OTHER AS WE BECOME A STRONG PRAYERFUL COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS.



THANK YOU from Jeanette Stevens and family to Rev. Bailey and the church for the many messages and gifts of sympathy received at the time of the death of Merle. Know that we appreciate your blessings.

ALSO THANK YOU from Amy & Jeff Booher for prayers for Jasmine.

Things are going well.

THANK YOU from Madeline Parrott for the opportunity to attend camp at Wesley Woods. (read more on the bulletin board)

THANK YOU from P.E.T. for the Mission Commission's contribution of \$300 for child sized Mobile P.E.T.S sent to India.

WELCOME!

New Members:
Adam and Bobbi Jo Hockett



Presented for Baptism:
Carson Lee Hockett

Ingathering Kits

The basket in the east entry is quickly filling up with supplies for our school Ingathering kits.

Supplies are still welcomed: The list of items is quite specific.

**Crayons - only 24 count boxes.

**Pencils - unsharpened & with erasers.

**Metric rulers - 30 centimeters, wooden or hard plastic.

**Pencil sharpeners - Hand held.

**Scissors - package must say blunt tip or tapered. We can not use pointed scissors.

**Spiral notebooks - 70 count WIDE rule. We are not able to use college rule.

**Large erasers - 2 1/2 inches

Our focus in September will be on supplies for the layette kits. Cloth diapers, receiving blankets, small sleepers and onesies are needed.

We already have a good supply of baby washcloths and have purchased the diaper pins in bulk on-line. Please leave items in the basket by the desk. If you would like to make a donation, members of the mission committee will be glad to do the shopping. Watch for the Health kit items in the next issue of the Messenger.

MINISTRY OF PRESENCE

Wednesday, Aug 13	21
Saturday, Aug 16	13
Sunday, Aug 17	105
Wednesday, Aug 20	14
Saturday, Aug 23	21
Sunday, Aug 24	83



Congratulations to:

* Michael & Ashley Kasperbauer who had a baby boy!

* Pastor Dennis & Nancy Bailey who have a new granddaughter, Isabelle Sophia.

Keep this date:
October 12th
All Church Pork Chop/Chicken Breast Supper We need you!!!!



UMW Meets Wed. Sept. 3rd

1:00 p.m. UMW Executive

1:30 p.m. UMW General

- ** Hostesses are Becky Tipton & Darlene Jensen
- ** Program - Sandy Welch, Dist. Shepherdess
- ** Election of Officers

You are invited to a Free Community Meal, Wednesday, Sept. 10th, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, 801 E. 18th St., Carroll

"Free to all who come to eat." They will be serving a meal every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Menu: Spaghetti, meat sauce, lettuce salad, bread, dessert, coffee, juice.

This endeavor is a means of providing food to anyone in the community who is hungry or desires companionship or just wants a good meal! Next meal is October 8.

The Messenger items are due at the main desk by Monday prior to printing. Watch bulletins for additional activities.

PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE

Next Messenger: Sept. 8th



"I Lift my eyes unto the hills, where does my help come from? ...My help comes from the Lord." (Psalm 121:1 & 2)

The mountains can be treacherous places. They have paths that are often rocky and covered with brush, 90 degree heat in the daytime and 30 degree temperatures at night. The mountains have all types of animals that are not friendly to humans.

I have spent some time in the mountains this year to help "crew" for one of my sons who runs 100 mile trail events. I was there for 24 hr periods of time; all day and all night. Once we were in Southern California and once in the Cumberland Mountains of northern Georgia. The evenings were cold and the days hot. The trails for my son were especially treacherous in the Cumberland Mountains. Night times are dark and often rainy.

The Psalmist says, "I lift up my eyes unto the hills. Where does my help come. It comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth."

We don't look to the hills for our help! When life is treacherous we turn for help in God. God is the one who made the moon and the stars; the sun and the sky above. He is all-powerful, all-knowing, and all compassionate. God made us. He knows our needs.

Jesus says, "If you who are human and sinful wouldn't give your child a stone if he asks for bread or a snake if she asks for fish to eat, then won't God, who is your Father in heaven, give you good things if you ask?"

Where do you look for help when you are in need? Where is your focus even today? God's Word says don't count on the earth, the sky, the mountains, or the sea. Don't count on the strength of kings, or governments, or societies. Only trust on God, the maker of heaven and earth, in your times of need.

May God keep you in His perfect Peace,
- Pastor Dennis Bailey -



** Maxine Hanneman who had surgery on Friday

** Joyce Paulson

** Jo Ann Robertson

** Mary Brown

** Robyn & Steve Lane, surgeries

** Roger Hansen

MISSIONS GARAGE SALE

REPORT: \$674 was received from the sale and will be sent to Pilger, NE for tornado relief. Thank you Carol Klein and Carol Winterboer plus all the others for your work!!!

OFFICE HOURS: 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 (noon) & 1:00 to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday

NOTE: Our Sunday services are now shown on Mediacom Channel 6 at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, 11:00 AM on Thursday and 5:00 PM on Saturday.

Calendar for September

SATURDAY	August 30
Noon	NA
6:00 p.m.	Saturday Worship
SUNDAY	August 31
10:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship
MONDAY	Sept. 1
Office Closed for Labor Day	
5:00 p.m.	TOPS
TUESDAY	Sept. 2
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	ALANON
WEDNESDAY	Sept. 3
1:00&1:30	UMW (See article on 1 st pg)
6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
THURSDAY	Sept. 4
9:30 a.m.	Methodist Friends Coffee at the Family Table
5:30 p.m.	Alanon
7:00 p.m.	NA
SATURDAY	Sept. 6
Noon	NA
6:00 p.m.	Saturday Worship Lead by Gwen Hoffmann
SUNDAY	Sept. 7
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all Ages
10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship Lead by Gwen Hoffmann
MONDAY	Sept. 8
4:00 p.m.	German Club
5:00 p.m.	TOPS
TUESDAY	Sept. 9
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	Alanon
WEDNESDAY	Sept. 10
6:30 p.m.	Commissions???
7:30 p.m.	Administrative Council
THURSDAY	Sept. 11
5:30 p.m.	Alanon
7:00 p.m.	NA

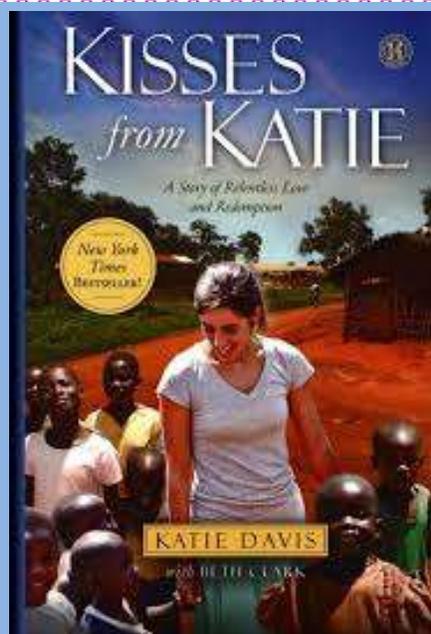


Sunday School for all ages starts on Sept 7th at 9:15 a.m.



All I really needed to know and what to do and how to be, I learned in Sunday School. Wisdom was not discovered at the top of the graduate-school mountain, but around the felt board in Sunday School. These are the things I learned:

- Everything is a gift, and gifts are meant to be shared.
- Life is not always fair, but God is just.
- When people hit you, work on not hitting them back.
- Whatever we have been given is on loan to us from the Creator, so put everything back where you found it, and clean up your mess.
- We all sin, so practice saying, "I'm Sorry." We all have to say it a lot.
- Cleanliness is next to godliness. (That isn't in the Bible but don't tell anybody.)
- The Lord commands a Sabbath so we would remember that life is more than work. That also means that Sunday afternoon naps are not a suggestion but a demand from on high.
- Keep your hands to yourself, because your body is not your own. You have been bought with a price. So be careful little hands what you do.
- He's got the whole world in His hands.
- He designed us to need each other, because everybody entered the ark two by two.
- Giants are no problem for God
- Running from God usually means you wind up in the belly of a whale.
- God will always meet you in the fiery furnace or in the lion's den.
- God answers prayer.
- When our friends are sick we should take them to Jesus, even if we have to lower them through the roof.
- Jesus can do a whole lot with very little. You can't believe what he can do with a sack lunch.
- God created us to sing-or at least to make a joyful noise.
- So "Praise Him, Praise Him, all you little children. God is love. God is love."
- And "Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Red, and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world."
- And most importantly, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me."-Scott Daniels



The Heavenly Bound Book Club will be reading this book for September. It promises to be an inspiring read. Please join us as we share our thoughts and impressions on Tuesday, September 16th at 11:00 AM at Queen Beans OR come Thursday (the 18th) at noon at Queen Beans. The Queen Beans Coffee Bar provides a private room and great food. It is Dutch treat. The book is called Kisses from Katie by Katie Davis.

From the Back Cover

Katie Davis left over Christmas break of her senior year for a short mission trip to Uganda and her life was turned completely inside out. She found herself so moved by the people of Uganda and the needs she saw that she knew her calling was to return and care for them. Kate, a charismatic and articulate young woman, is in the process of adopting thirteen child in Uganda and has established a ministry, Amazima, that feeds and send hundreds more to school while teaching them the Word of Jesus Christ.

Kisses from Katie invites readers on a journey of radical love down the red dirt roads of Uganda. You'll laugh and cry with Katie as she follows Jesus into the impossible and finds joy and beauty beneath the dust. Katie and her children delight in saying yes to the people God places in front of them and challenge readers to do the same, changing the world one person at a time.



FOOD PANTRY

Your donations to the Community of Concern Food Pantry have been so generous this summer, that members of the Mission Committee have made monthly deliveries.

In August over 70 food and personal care items valued at \$120 were delivered. Some of the items included cereal, pancake mix, syrup, soup, canned fruit and vegetables, cake and muffin mix as well as liquid soap and deodorant. A complete listing of items is on the bulletin board by the office. Donations can be placed in the cart in the Main Street entrance.

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WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.
Sundays

6:00 p.m.
Saturdays