



The Messenger

First United Methodist Church
of Carroll, IA 51401

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OFFICE HOURS:
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
& 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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Times of worship -

- Saturday Worship 6:00 pm
- Choir Practice, Sunday 9:00 am
- Sunday School 9:15 am
- Sunday Worship 10:30 am

FUMC STAFF

Dennis Bailey, Pastor (790-4427)
 Suzanne Olberding, Director of Ministries (792-1290)
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This Sunday is the
Bar-B-Que Tailgate
gathering after worship!
Come and join the fun!

ALL CHURCH PORK CHOP or CHICKEN BREAST SUPPER



OCT. 12 4-7 p.m.

We need YOU!!!!

This is our ONLY big money maker for the year and we would like to see everyone involved! You may sign up at the church or call the office 792-1122 and tell us what you would like to bring or where you would like to work.

The Finance Committee is in charge and you can save them a lot of calling by signing up as soon as possible. Thank you for helping! Donations are always welcome too.

We need donations of ---

- 50 pies
 - 50 salads
 - 20 dozen deviled eggs
 - AND lots of helpers.
- Call the church (792-1122) or stop by the desk and sign up! Thank you!

Tickets available at the office:
Adults \$8.00, 10 & under \$3.50

DISHES--DISHES--DISHES--
PLEASE check the dishes in the kitchen to see if they belong to YOU. We need to clear them out before the supper (and you may need them for that!!!)

ARE YOU A COOKIE MAKER???

WEteam will be compiling plates of cookies on Wednesday, Oct. 8th at 1:00 for Shut-ins and Nursing home residents. Cookie donations would be appreciated. They don't have to be fancy or cut outs...maybe your favorites or try a new recipe! Other treats welcome also.



Mark your calendar so you won't forget to come to the Tailgate Party at Graham Park on Friday, October 3rd @ 5:30. The fun will be sponsored by the New Life Fellowship group.



THANK YOU to the UMW ladies for flowers and special thanks to Pastor Bailey for his comforting care before and after the surgery. Thanks for the support of the entire church family for their cards and prayers.

Sophia Weitzel



Wilma Hartleben is celebrating 80 on Oct 8th!



Happy 70th Anniversary to Wayne & Hazel Daniels
% Jack Daniels
3201 Keokuk
Spirit lake, IA 51360

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: October 6th



"Draw nigh to God, and He shall draw nigh to you." (James 4:8)

Sometimes God speaks to me through my grandchildren. Recently we had little Elijah (my youngest son's two year old) after his baby sister was born. We kept him for about 5 days as the parents and new baby got adjusted.

I had a particularly busy week that week but one night I didn't have a night meeting and I came home a little before supper time thinking I can now spend a little time with my grandson. But it was also a day that had been filled with many projects and ministry concerns. So as I came home I was still doing a little business and talking with Nancy, my wife, in the kitchen about a couple of concerns and calendar items. Little Elijah was playing on the kitchen floor with one of his little cars. Suddenly he said, "Grandpa! Please play with me!" It was as if God himself spoke and said, "Didn't you come home early to play with your grandson but you've still been busy with other things." My heart almost broke at how I had missed him right there at my feet. It didn't take me long to be right there on the floor with my grandson, fully present to him, and enjoying his company playing with him.

The Bible says that all we have to do is ask and come into God's presence and He will "draw nigh" to us. If a human like myself is drawn immediately to a grandson's simply plea, won't God even more be with us as we draw close to Him? Won't God bring His full attention to our needs, our wants, and our hurts?

Just take the time to ask God to draw close to you. Come close to Him in your day to day life. Speak to Him, share your hurts and burdens with Him, and enjoy His presence.

May God keep you in His perfect Peace,

- Pastor Dennis Bailey -

UMW Executive Board meets at 1:00 Wednesday, October 1st followed by the General meeting at 1:30. Hostesses are Doris Hambleton and Marg Fetterer. The program will be given by Marsha Nuckels.

*George Crouse
* Scott Knowler



Ingathering Kits

THANKS TO SUE VAN DYKE, KAS CLAUSEN, SUE ENGLAND, BETH ROWLES, JOYCE SMITH, AND JEANNE HANSEN, THE BAGS FOR THE SCHOOL KITS ARE COMPLETED. ALL THE SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED TO FILL THE SCHOOL KITS HAVE EITHER BEEN DONATED OR PURCHASED.

THE MISSION COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE TO COLLECT ITEMS FOR THE LAYETTES AND HEALTH KITS IN THE BASKETS IN FRONT OF THE DESK IN THE OFFICE ON MAIN STREET.

Layettes:

- receiving blankets,
- cloth diapers,
- lightweight sleeper or gown (small size), onesie or undershirt (small size),
- baby wash cloth,
- diaper pins.

Health Kits:

- hand towel,
- wash cloth,
- adult toothbrush (in original sealed wrapper),
- bath size bar of soap (3 oz. or larger)
- ingernail clipper,
- band aids (3/4 size),
- 8" Combs with wide teeth.

THOSE WANTING TO HELP MONETARILY ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND \$2 PER KIT TO HELP COVER SHIPPING COSTS. DONATIONS WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED. TO DATE, WE HAVE SUPPLIES FOR OVER 250 KITS!!!

MINISTRY OF PRESENCE

Saturday, Sept 13	27
Sunday, Sept 14	134
Saturday, Sept 20	22
Sunday, Sept 21	130

NIGERIA HOUSING PROJECT UPDATE We received an email updating us on the progress on the teacher housing renovation project at Banyam Theological Seminary in Nigeria. The renovation of five houses has been going on all summer and is now completed. The Haruna House, to which this congregation contributed \$3000, was the first to be completed. Beverly Nottle, our Nigeria project contact person in Iowa, reports that the completion of these buildings is a real morale booster as five families now have safe, sanitary and colorful homes in which to reside. A photo of the newly renovated house is on the monitor in the entry of the church or can be viewed on the church website OR look here!



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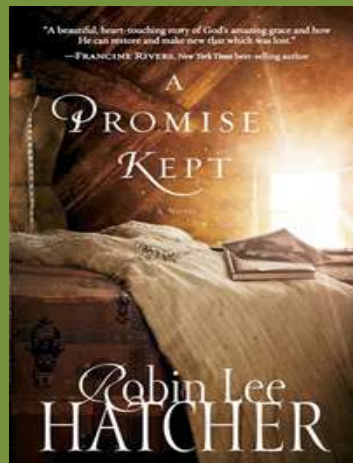
NOTE: Our Sunday services are now shown on Mediacom Channel 6 at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, 11:00 AM on Thursday and 5:00 PM on Saturday.

Calendar for Sept.–Oct. 9

SATURDAY	Sept. 27
9:00 a.m.	Troop 458
Noon	NA
6:00 p.m.	Saturday Worship
SUNDAY	Sept. 28
9:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all Ages
10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
11:30 a.m.	TAILGATE BAR-B-QUE FREE WILL DONATION
MONDAY	Sept. 29
5:00 p.m.	TOPS
TUESDAY	Sept. 30
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	ALANON
WEDNESDAY	Oct 1
10:30 a.m.	Devotions at Swan Place
1:00 p.m.	UMW EXECUTIVE BOARD
1:30 P.M.	UMW GENERAL MEETING See article on the top page.
3:30 p.m.	UM Kids
4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
5:30 p.m.	Jr. High Youth Group
6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Staff-Parish Meeting Finance Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Sr. High Youth Group
THURSDAY	Oct. 2
9:30 a.m.	FRIENDS BREAKFAST AT THE FAMILY TABLE
5:30 p.m.	Alanon
7:00 p.m.	NA
FRIDAY	Oct. 3
5:30 p.m.	TAILGATE PARTY AT GRAHAM PARK SPONSORED BY THE NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP
SATURDAY	Oct. 4
Band Day Parade 10:30	
Noon	NA
6:00 p.m.	Saturday Worship - Communion
SUNDAY	Oct. 5
9:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all Ages
10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship - Communion
MONDAY	Oct. 6
4:00 p.m.	German Club
5:00 p.m.	TOPS
6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts
TUESDAY	Oct. 7
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	Alanon
WEDNESDAY	Oct 8
1:00 a.m.	COOKIES TO SHUT-INS
4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
5:30 p.m.	Jr. High Youth
7:00 p.m.	Sr. High Youth

THURSDAY Oct. 9

5:30 p.m.	Alanon
6:00 p.m.	Lion's Club makes soup here
7:00 p.m.	NA
7:30 p.m.	Compassionate Friends



The Heavenly Bound Book Club will be reading this book for October. Do join discussion as we share our thoughts and impressions on Tuesday, October 21st at 11:00 AM at Queen Beans OR come Thursday (the 23rd) 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 A Promise Kept by Robin Lee Hatcher.

From the Back Cover

God was going to save her marriage, Allison was sure of it. But neither her husband nor her marriage had been saved. What had become of His promise?

Tony Kavanagh had been Allison's dream-come-true. They were in love within days, engaged within weeks, married and pregnant within a year. Her cup bubbled over with joy . . . but years later, that joy had been extinguished by unexpected trials.

The day Allison issued her husband an ultimatum, she thought it might save him. She never expected he would actually leave. She was certain God had promised to heal; it was clear that she'd misunderstood.

Now living in the quiet mountain cabin she inherited from her single, self-reliant Great Aunt Emma, Allison must come to terms with her grief and figure out how to adapt to small town life. But when she finds a wedding dress and a collection of journals in Emma's attic, a portrait of her aunt emerges that takes Allison completely by surprise: a portrait of a heartbroken woman a lot like herself.

As Allison reads the incredible story of Emma's life in the 1920s and 1930s, she is forced to ask a difficult question: Does she really surrender every piece of her life to the Lord? For a woman accustomed to being someone else's savior, that will be even harder than it sounds.

women of faith TOUR
FROM SURVIVAL TO REVIVAL 2014

Transform your soul, awaken your spirit, and revive your faith at our 2014 event: *From Survival to Revival*. At this all-new event you'll receive powerful Bible teaching, be inspired by uplifting music, enter into authentic worship, and more. Experience the renewal that comes from spending time in the presence of God. Discover new joy and a fresh sense of purpose. Gather your group, call your friends, and put your family on notice. It's time to plan for *From Survival to Revival!* "Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?" Psalm 85:6 NKJV

Key Speakers and Music Leaders:

Natalie Grant	Sheila Walsh
Lisa Harper	Kay Warren
Anita Renfroe	Matthew West
Rich Sterns	Pete Wilson
Lysa Terkeurst	Gateway Worship

JOIN A GROUP OF LADIES
FROM OUR CHURCH
October 17-19
St Paul MN

Call Suzi for More information!
Limited amount of tickets available!



UM Kids started and we had a great first week. Kids are to ride bus 28 from any school and the bus will drop off at church. If you have any questions please let Suzi know. We are excited for this year!

Sign Up For The YOUTH SUPPER,
FOOD And HELPERS
Wednesday evenings at 6:30
CALL THE OFFICE 792-1122



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WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.
Sundays

6:00 p.m.
Saturdays