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Secretary: Cheryl Rice

#### **Our Mission Statement**

To help one another grow in Christian faith through worship, witness, fellowship, and service to our community and the world.

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#### **Prayer Concerns**

**Condolences:** To Evelyn DeCou's family

In the hospital:

**Local Concerns**: Butch Cox, Maxine

Wescott, Fred Eisele, Ed Viers

Continuing Concerns: Nadine Timmons, Louise Kelsey, Clara & David McCluskey, Howard Svaty, Marvin & Mardina Gregory, Bob Compton, Diane Carver, Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman, Margaret Shinkle, Emagene Walton, Carol Turner, Doris Claiborne

Our extended family: Kevin Olsen, Linda & Weldon Hyde, Chuck Baker, J. D. Cox, John Siewart, Rita Renfro, Maxine Wilson, JR Schwarz, Justin Voorhies, Pat Sanderson, our uniformed men and women serving our country, storm, wild fire, shooting, looting, riot, racial violence, covid victims and their care givers.

<u>with information or updates</u> related to illnesses, hospitalizations, crisis, or immediate family deaths, so that care can be offered.

#### **Financial Report**

Offerings: Received through

July 05 \$2685.00 July 12 \$4220.20



# Happy Birthday!

July 17 – Carolyn Viers

July 18 – Sandy Cox

July 21 – Zac Ramsey

July 26 – Shannon Huser

**Susan Voorhies** 

July 28 - Sandy Besinger



# **Happy Anniversary!**

July 27 – David & Karen Rogers (35 years)

Please take the corona virus seriously. Our governor has mandated masks in public again and we want you to be safe; wear your mask, and maintain at least a 6' distance. Wash your hands often. If we all do our part, we will hopefully not have to close the church again.



# **Called to Serve July - August**

# Sunday, July 19

Table Elders: Carl Thornton & David Rogers

Deacons: Pat & Jess Reed

Deaconess: Liz North & Amber Riggle

AV: Jess Reed

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay Leader: Claudia Marr

#### Sunday, July 26

Table Elders: Todd Harrelson & Nancy Rogers Deacons: Sandy Besinger & Ron Black Deaconess: Liz North & Amber Riggle

AV: Cary Hutton

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey Lay Leader: Merlyn Ramsey

### Sunday, August 02

Table Elders: Marvin Gregory & Merlyn Ramsey Deacons: Don Vaughn & Neal Bernauer

Deaconess: Becky Ramsey

**AV: Nancy Burns** 

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay Leader:



# A Message from Pastor Shue

I hope this newsletter finds each of you safe and cool. It would appear that things are starting

to get back to normal for us as a church. Our attendance numbers are still down, but they are slowly climbing upward. I was glad that most of us were able to celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July in traditional ways. I know Brendon was able to shoot his fireworks and have a really good time.

I hope each of you are praying for our elected officials as they are trying to do the right things during these trying times. I know many of the decisions being made are not what we want to hear, but I truly believe they are trying to do what they feel is best for society. Remember most of these people were elected by us the voters. We vote them into office, and if they do not do what we feel is right the majority can vote them out of office. However, if you did not vote you have no right to complain about their job performances. You can't have it both ways.

I don't know about you but I am really concerned about how schools are going to reopen around here pretty soon. I know Brendon really missed his last fourth of his school year and I don't want him to miss part of the coming year. Safety has to be looked at, but interaction in a classroom is so very important. Kids need to be part of a group. Online teaching only works to a point. Kids need classrooms to develop social skills and learn how to share and get along with others.

I hope everyone has a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ

**Pastor Claude** 

## **Suggested Food Bank Items for July**

Cereal, peanut butter, and mac & cheese. Please bring your items and Pastor Claude will take our contributions to the Food Bank.



A funeral service was held for Evelyn DeCou on Friday July, 10<sup>th</sup>. She was to have celebrated her 102 birthday in January but

fell and broke her hip the day before. She recovered from hip surgery and came and enjoyed her cake in April.

Evelyn worked tirelessly at the Christian Thrift Shop and was an inspiration to us all. Rest in Peace Evelyn you earned it.



FYI

The Regional CWF office has cookbooks for sale with the proceeds going to Camp Tawakoni to build a new cabin. I am told there are over 600 recipes in the book and they sell for \$17 each. A copy will be available to look at in fellowship hall. These are nice hard cover books. I have a few on hand so you don't have to wait for delivery. Contact the church office if you would like to purchase one.







Will resume Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.



**CWF** will have their annual picnic
Thursday August 6<sup>th</sup>

at 6:00 p.m. here at the church. All ladies are invited. Meat will be provided. Please bring a covered dish or a salad.

# **Church is Open**

Please observe the following changes and take precautions:

- Take your temperature at home and do not attend if you are not feeling well and/or have symptoms of the virus. If you do not feel comfortable coming to church we understand. We want you to stay well.
- Wearing of masks in public has been mandated by our governor. Masks may be removed during the service if a safe distance of 6' or more is observed.
- Please maintain a distance of at least
   6 feet unless you are sitting with a family member.
- Hand sanitizer is provided.
- Bulletins may be picked up by the door.
- The Meet and Greet is suspended for now. Smiles and greetings should be exchanged but handshaking and hugging should not happen.
- We will have a no contact service of Communion. The wafers will be in a cup like the juice. When coming forward for communion please maintain the 6 foot distance. There

will be a trash can available to dispose of your communion cups.

- Home Communion will be suspended until it is safe to resume.
- Miss Anita's class and the Adult Sunday School class are both meeting at the the regular times. Please wear a mask or sit at least 6' away from your neighbor. The nursery is available. Make sure temperatures are taken at home.

If you are not able to attend church in person, please continue to send your tithes and offerings to the church address at 303 N. 7<sup>th</sup>, Fredonia, or to Nancy Burns at 328 S. 15<sup>t.</sup>



#### The Human Conflict:

Being a human is a wonderful existence, And holds many emotions.

Here are a few:

We are loving, but sometimes hateful.
We are giving, but sometimes selfish.
We are truthful, but sometimes we tell lies.
We are honorable, but do not always do the honorable thing.

We are intelligent, but do not always act intelligent.

We are strong, but have many weaknesses. We are human, but do not always show it.

# God Holds the Key

Is there a problem in your heart to solve, some passage seeming full of mystery? God knows, who brings the hidden light, He holds the key.

Is there some door closed by the Father's hand,
which widely opened you had hoped to see?
Trust God and wait- for when He shuts the door,
He holds the key.

Is there some earnest prayer unanswered yet,
or answered not as you had thought it should be?
God will make clear His purpose by and by,
He holds the key.

Unfailing comfort, sweet and blessed rest, to know that to every door God holds the key.

That He at last when just He sees it is best will give the key to thee.

~unknown

A man opened the newspaper and was dumfounded to read he had died. He quickly called his best friend. "Did you see the paper? It says I died!"

"Yes I saw it," replied his friend.
"So where you callin' from?"