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#### **Our Mission Statement**

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

### July 3 Caller



### **Prayer Concerns**

#### In the hospital:

<u>Local Concerns</u>: Phyllis Leckey, Nadine Dishman, Barb Vaughn, Marilyn Compton, Rex & Tina Thomas

Continuing Concerns: Louise Morrison, Nadine Timmons, Louise Kelsey, Clara & David McCluskey, Howard Svaty, Marvin & Mardina Gregory, Wayne Sircoulomb, Bob Compton, Evelyn DeCou, Diane Carver, Linda Shue, Evelyn Tarter, Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman, Margaret Shinkle, Emagene Walton, Carol Turner

<u>Our extended family</u>: Jerry Rice, Rita Renfro, Bill Ward, Debbie Sunthimer, Brenda Firr, Sharon Heien, Myla Farwell, Chuck Baker, Maxine Wilson, JR Schwarz, Justin Voorhies, and our uniformed men and women serving our country at home and abroad. All storm and wild fire victims as well as shooting victims.

<u>Please call the church office (378-4118) with</u> <u>information or updates</u> related to illnesses, hospitalizations, crisis, or immediate family deaths, so that care can be offered.

Serving in the Military: Griffin Voorhies- Marines

#### **Financial Report**

Sunday	
June 23	\$ 1473.00
June 30	\$ 1426.36



### **Happy Birthday!**

July 03 – Belinda Adams July 05 – Nadine Dishman July 08 – Don Vaughn July 17 – Carolyn Viers



## **Happy Anniversary!**

July 06– James & Brenda Burner (28 years) July 14 – Mike & Becky Cox (46 years)



To my Church Family,

Thank you all for the birthday cards and helping me celebrate my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Thank you for your continued prayers. I hope to be back to see you all real soon.

Thanks so much,

Louise Kelsey



## Called to Serve - July

#### Sunday, July 07

Table Elders: Carol Bernauer & Darin Vaughn

Home Communion: Stacy Siegele Deacons: Ray Barger & Cary Hutton

Deaconesses: Melissa Millar, Reannon Hickey, &

Amber Riggle

Greeter: Delores Kempinger

Usher: Marilyn Compton AV. Merlyn Ramsey

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Jess Reed

#### Sunday, July 14

Table Elders: DevAnna Vaughn & Stacy Siegele

Home Communion: Ed Viers

Deacons: Mary Shue & Matthew Meloy

Deaconesses: Melissa Millar, Reannon Hickey, &

Amber Riggle

Greeter: Carol Bernauer

Usher: Ron Black AV. Jess Reed Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Claudia Marr

#### Sunday, July 21

Table Elders: Carl Thornton & David Rogers

Home Communion: Mike Jeffers

Deacons: Pat & Jess Reed

Deaconesses: Melissa Millar, Reannon Hickey, &

Amber Riggle

**Greeter: Tina Thomas** 

Usher: Rex Thomas AV. Cary Hutton

Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey

Lay leader: Anita Smith

Happiness keeps you sweet,
Trials keep you strong,
Sorrows keep you human,
Failures keep you humble,
Success keeps you glowing,
But only God keeps you going!

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# A Message from Pastor Shue

It is starting to feel like summer is finally here. Here it is July 1<sup>st</sup> and the temperature hasn't hit the 100 degree mark yet, but I don't think it will be long before it does. Without a doubt this has to be the oddest summer I can ever recall. Please keep an extra sharp eye on the young people in your lives this 4<sup>th</sup> of July week. Remind them to be extra safe while they are playing with fireworks. Also for those who have pets especially dogs, remember many of them are terribly afraid of fireworks and the loud noise they make. Please keep this in mind.

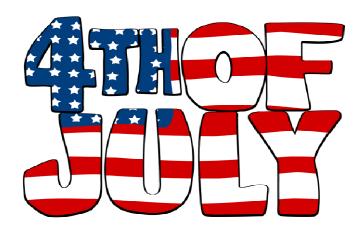
The last two young people that we are sending to church camp will be leaving for Camp Tawakoni the first of the next week. I always look forward to camp season, but at the same time I'm always glad to see it come to an end as well. It takes a lot of hard work and a lot of individuals to put on a successful camping program. This past year it has been very difficult to find people who are willing to be counselors. I think I might have one more year in me, but at this point I'm not 100 percent sure. I will pray about it and look at it again later in the year.

I hope each of you think seriously about helping support the local food bank. We as a church congregation in the past have been really good about bringing items to the church so I could take them to the local food bank. However, in the last several months the giving has fallen off. I understand that we are all busy and some us may not put a very high priority on giving to local charities, but I believe as Christians we should. So if you can please give.

I hope each of you have a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Claude



# Independence Day

In the year of 1776
That paper was decreedThey were tired of oppression
And wanted to be freed

They wrote a Declaration
So the whole world would seeThis was,"the home of the brave
And the land of the free"

They signed that piece of parchment
The leaders of this landKnowing, divided they would fall
But, together they could stand

A new world lay before them
Untamed from shore to shoreThey swore they would protect it
If it meant going to war

Battles have been fought-And many lives have been lost-So sad something so basic Has such a high, high cost

Seems freedom is a luxury
There's some would bind us allLike then, together, we can stand
But divided, we will fall

More than two hundred years
Have past by since that day
That each of us celebrate
In our own different way

We should be thankful
Pay our share of the costNot take freedom for granted
For it could easily be lost
~Unknown

### Freedom

I know these things must always be To keep a nation strong and free: One is hearthstone bright and dear With busy, happy loved ones near.

One is ready heart and hand
To Love and serve and keep the land.
One is a worn and beaten way
To where the people go to pray.

So long as these are kept alive,
Nation and people will survive.
God keep them always, everywhereThe home, the heart, the place of prayer.
~Unknown



# **One Nation Without God**

America the beautiful,
Home of the brave and free,
Is threatened by an evil
That we don't seem to see.

We are "One nation, under God."
Guided by His loving light,
But we'll be a nation "without" God
If we don't stand and fight.

We the vast majority,

Must join hand in hand

Before the small minority

Takes God's name from our land.

No matter our religion,
We have a job to do;
We must band together
To defeat the ungodly few.

God gave us freedom in this land
To worship and to pray.
How can we idly just sit by
Watching it be taken away?

There is a God in Heaven.

Let's not let His light go dim.

How can He bless us from above

If we won't acknowledge Him?

~Ron Tranmer

# Prayer for the Summer Solstice



Jesus, thank you for Summer Thank you for light and warmth. Thank you for the Sun.

Thank you for the gifts of nature And for the annual cycles and seasons.

Today, give us that grace again,
To see you as the Creator, the One who
Lifts us up to be with you
Forever, even now
Amen

## **Enduring Faith**

I've dreamed many dreams that never came true,
I've seen them vanish at dawn,
But I've realized enough of my deams, thank God,
To make me want to dream on.

I've prayed many prayers when no answer came
Though I waited patient and long,
But answers have come to enough of my prayers
To make me keep praying on.

I've trusted many a friend that failed,
And left me to weep alone,
But I've found enough of my friends true blue,
To make me keep trusting on.

I've sown many a seed that fell by the way
For the birds to feed upon,
But I've held enough golden sheaves in my hands
To make me keep sowing on.

I've drained the cup of dissapointment and pain
And gone many days without song,
But I've sipped enough nectar from the roses of life
To make me want to live on.



July 03 – 9:00 - Prayer Group 9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group

## **Happy Fourth of July!**

July 08 - 9:00 - 10:00 Exercise Group

July 09– 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

July 10 - 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group 9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group

July 12 - 9:00 -10:00 a.m. Exercise Group

July 15-9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Exercise Group

July 16– 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters

July 17 – 9:00 – 10:00 Prayer Group 9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group New Caller

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