July Breakfast
Sunday, July 6th, 9am

Sunday, July 27, 5:00pm
Potluck picnic
tea & lemonade provided

Enjoy a great evening of food, fellowship, & games
In case of rain, we will meet in fellowship hall

Due to VBS, the July Business Meeting will be moved to Aug 3rd @ 6pm

New Generation Singers Performing Live!
Sunday, July 13th, 7:30pm
Auburn Methodist Church
sponsored by the Auburn Ministerial Alliance

A love offering will be received

New Generation Singers is a group of 80 Christian youth from Saint Joseph, MO. who travel for two weeks sharing God’s Word through song.
Host homes are needed for Sunday night. If you are interested, forms are available on the foyer bulletin board.
“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, and that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” These precious words, of course, come from the Declaration of Independence that our founders signed July 4th, 1776. The Continental Congress determined certain things to be undeniable self-evident truths. The statement says that “all men are created equal” but in saying this, the founders put forth the creation of mankind as self-evident truth as well. They recognized as another self-evident truth that there indeed is a Creator and that that Creator is the only one recognized who has the authority to endow and bestow rights on mankind. The sad thing is that we now live in a country where these self-evident truths are no longer allowed to be taught as self-evident truths. The founders and those who authored the Constitution therefore would have never considered it unconstitutional to teach children in our schools about the self-evident truth of the creation of men with certain unalienable rights. But let’s not forget as well these Creator endowed rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. These are given to us by our Creator and find their fulfillment only in Him.

Happy Fourth of July folks! Tell someone about the life, liberty and happiness you have in Christ!

I love our country and I love being your Pastor!

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We need YOU!!!
As many volunteers as possible—
Saturday, July 12th
9:00am
Pass out VBS flyers

Vacation Bible School
Agency DB
July 20-25
6:00-8:30pm

Needed: taller yogurt containers (i.e. yoplait) or vegetable cans, paper towel tubes, old tires, and 2-liter bottle lids. There will be a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board for snack items.

Illinois State Fair
Family Day
Sunday, August 17
$3 admission for all ages 5yrs & up
Concerts beginning at 2pm: Lookup Abandon Shonlock Petra Peter Furler Band

This month we need to examine “IDOLS”. From the very beginning of the Bible, we are told not to have idols: “You shall not have other gods (idols) before me”. An idol according to Webster’s Dictionary is ANY object or THING of excessive devotion.” Things can creep into our life and take over first place in our hearts and lives. We as Christians need to prioritize our devotion to the Lord and NOT any other thing. In Isaiah 41:21-24 we are cautioned about these false idols that come into our lives and it is summed up in verse 24, “he who chooses you (idols) is DETESTABLE”. In Ezekiel 14:6 we read “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: repent! Turn from your idols and renounce all of your DETESTABLE practices!” DETESTABLE-- that is a very strong word but it is how God views things that replace Him. Throughout the Bible we are told numerous times that we should put the Lord before everything. God requires that we put Him as NUMBER ONE and give HIM the “firstfruits” in our lives. The Bible also tells us to “examine ourselves”. Our entire country needs to do a self-exam and then give to the Lord what is rightfully His. In Philippians 1:4 we read “Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others”. This great country needs to repent and turn around and give the Good Lord what is rightfully His. We at M.B.C. need to look into our hearts and pray for a revival, not only here, but throughout this land, and let it begin in me.

Luv ya’ll,
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YOUth Events Coming Up:
- June 29 July 2 Carmi trip
- July 6 Breakfast 9am
- July 11-12 Stronghold
- July 13 New Generation
  Concert @ Methodist Church
- July 27 Church Picnic 5pm

Join us weekly for:

**IGNITE**
Wednesdays - 7pm
(selected dates during the summer)

**Sundays**

**The Gathering** - 9:30am
**Hang-time** - 5-7pm
(selected dates - watch bulletin for dates)

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Six Flags - St. Louis
Concert Line-up
July 12 Praise-a-Palooza with
Third Day
Aug 9 Christian Family Day
with MERCYME

New Generation Singers
from St. Joseph, MO
performing live @ the
Methodist Church
July 13
7:30pm

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Financial News
As of June 28th:
Receipts to date - $43,870.42
Needed to date - $58,300.00
Checking Account:
  after monthly expenses/payroll -
  $1,341.82
Deacon Fund - $875.96
Building Fund - $1,770.47

Please be faithful in your giving to
the Lord!

To our Family and Friends
July
2 Judy Stuhmer
4 Stacey Mitkos
9 Lora Crocker
9 Patrick Cain
10 Betty Bendix
10 Chaz Crocker
11 Melissa Clouse
12 Justin Graves
13 Abi Moore
14 Lori Bostick
17 Ruby Moore
19 Cinda Cain
23 Jim Castelli
25 Deanna Boyer
25 Louise Dudley
26 Mike Crocker
27 Carol Cockrum
27 Jesse Brummett
30 Kristi Lancaster

Please let us know if we have
overlooked your birthday. We want to
include all of our church family.
PASTOR:  
David L. Van Bebber  
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Sunday Schedule  
9:30a.m. - Bible Study for all  
10:40a.m. - Morning Worship  
5:00p.m. - Youth Hang-time  
6:00p.m. - Evening Worship  

Wednesday Schedule  
6:15p.m. - Praise Team  
7:00p.m. - Adult Bible Study  
- TeamKID (Pre-K thru 6th grade)  
- Youth IGNITE (Gr. 7-12)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE IN YOUR AREA. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please fill out the form on the foyer bulletin board.

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