



We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events

New Quarter: Kids move up

Upcoming Events

- Aug. 3** - Ladies' Coffee, Tea & Me: 10-11 a.m.
- Aug. 6** – Youth Group Pool Party at the Plummer's House
- Aug. 8** – Elders/Deacons Meeting after Worship
- Aug. 10** - Ladies' Coffee, Tea & Me: 10-11 a.m.
- Aug. 12** – Pantry 9-11 a.m.
- Aug. 14** – Back to School Bash
- Aug. 15** – Worship at the Lake: Prayer & Praise Service at Canton Lake
- Aug. 17** - Ladies' Coffee, Tea & Me: 10-11 a.m.
- Aug. 19** – Pantry 9-11 a.m.
- Aug. 24** - Ladies' Coffee, Tea & Me: 10-11 a.m.
- Aug. 29** – Church Wide Cook Out: Day of Thanksgiving
- Aug. 31** - Ladies' Coffee, Tea & Me: 10-11 a.m.
- Sept. 12** – Johnson Baby Shower

Birthdays:

- 2nd Bryan Brownell
- 7th Kevin Hurt

Record for 7-25-21

Morning Worship.....	168
Contribution	\$3,396.00
Budget	\$6,642.00
Total Pantry Patrons for July	125

Order of Worship

Pilgrim's Praise	Derek Tinius
Welcome/Announcements	Stephen Lincoln
Scripture Reading: Romans 15:13	TBD
Song Leader	Glenn Walker
#239.....	<i>In Moments Like These</i>
#242.....	<i>Sing Hallelujah to the Lord</i>
#781.....	<i>Thank You, Lord!</i>
Opening Prayer	Dudley Darrow
#123.....	<i>The Steadfast Love of the Lord</i>
Song	<i>Break My Heart</i>
#383.....	<i>Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross</i>
Communion Talk	Brent Dittmeyer
Song	<i>Your Loving Kindness</i>
Dismiss Children
#959.....	<i>Just a Little Talk with Jesus</i>
Sermon: Why We Need Difficult Times	Erik Granberg
#396.....	<i>No Not One</i>
Shepherd's Prayer	Terry Sherrill
Children's Worship	Jaqueline Anderson
Nursery	Gina Thornton
Sound Booth	Terry Sherrill
Slides	Robb Mills

Sermon Scripture: Romans 5:3-5

Sermon Thought:

Difficulties are seldom enjoyable. However, there might not be a better way to grow, learn and become strong than dealing with those difficulties. In fact, some of humanity's greatest qualities come about because we face struggles, hardship, pain, and trials. Consider this...how do you gain patience, strength, compassion, selflessness? All through dealing with the ups and downs of life. So stay strong and may the God of all peace be with you.

Sermon Questions:

1. When have you dealt with a tough situation that you came out better on the other side?
2. How can we help others stay strong when they are in the valleys of life?
3. What would you add to the sermon?

New Prayer Concerns:

Jan Petrik – in stage 3 kidney failure along with liver failure & a swollen spleen

Dianna Simmons – suffering from Essential Tremors & is very ill; pray that she gets an appointment at the Mayo Clinic & finds the right doctors to treat her

Anna – Lori Manly's sister; recovering from shoulder surgery

Bill North – Landis Fuksa's brother-in-law; passed away from cancer

Debbie Martin – her heart cath showed no blockages but she will need a heart valve replaced at some point

Stephen Lincoln – having surgery Monday

Adrian – a friend of George Gordon; diagnosed with cancer (good prognosis)

Steve Long – having severe back pain & will need his 3rd surgery soon

Tom Raloff – having upcoming treatments for kidney stones

Next Week's (8/8/21) Servants:

Song Leader: Robb Mills

Opening Prayer: Scott Mick

Communion

Talk: Roger Unruh

Shepherd's

Prayer: John Wright

Sound Booth: Dee Plummer

Slides: Dudley Darrow

Nursery: Kim Tinius

Children's

Worship: Mary Raloff

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Fearing God

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.

And Grace, my fears relieved.

How precious did that Grace appear

The hour I first believed.

We are to love God and we know that he loves us, but we are also to fear him. Sometimes we think of fearing God as an Old Testament concept. The Egyptians and many others learned the hard way that God is powerful and not to be trifled with. God cannot be reduced to a simple being that only loves us. God is not only our father, but he is Lord of the Universe and the Judge of sinners. He created the world and only God has the authority to destroy it. He does not bend to our whims or the current popular morally accepted practices. Jesus said, *Luke 12:4-5 "I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. 5But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him."*

Fearing God is also a New Testament concept and a basic principle of Christianity. *1 Peter 1:17 If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth.* We must love God and also fear him. *Job 28:28 "And to man He said, 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; And to depart from evil is understanding."* Fearing God is how we can keep his commandments. Not fearing God is a trait of those who are lost. *Romans 3:18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."* Fearing God requires us to respect and acknowledge the power and authority of God.

Loving God and fearing God are not contradictory. One is not fully possible without the other. Fearing God does not mean that we should be afraid of God or afraid of anything. We are secure in the knowledge that he loves us and takes care of us. *1 John 5:13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.* A healthy fear of God gives us peace.

Terry Sherrill

Worship at the Lake

August 15th, we will be having our Prayer & Praise Service at Canton Lake. The playing and picnic part of the afternoon will start at 2:00 p.m. with the Prayer & Praise Service starting at 6:00 p.m. We will be meeting on the dam at Sandy Cove Beach. We have invited other churches in the area also!

Back to School Bash

On Saturday, August 14th, the youth group will be hosting a Back to School Bash for all the kids at church from pre-k through 5th grades. There will be games, crafts, prizes, and best of all... SCHOOL SUPPLIES!! Parents will need to supply the "extra" supplies like backpacks, Clorox wipes, Kleenex, earbuds, etc. "Traditional" supplies (crayons, glue, etc.) will all be sent home with your kids! The youth group is so excited to host this party for our younger members. If you will be able to attend, please sign up on the welcome center.

Prayers

Praise God for all the baptisms we have had this year! Please be praying for each one of these young people as they start their journey as new Christians.

1. Caleb Morris
2. Michael Granberg
3. Jack Nichols
4. Krese Smith
5. Houston Moore
6. Meredith Plummer
7. Hudson Plummer
8. Braden Meek
9. Ally Meek
10. Bryant Mick