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"But **blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord**, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

- Jeremiah 17:7-8

Celebration Sunday

Sunday . August 30th . 9:15a

Our Young Adult Ministry (YAM) is hosting a Pancake Breakfast.

All proceeds from the freewill offering will help fund their trip to the Passion Conference this December.

There will be a sign up sheet in the hallway to donate supplies for the breakfast.

Please see Connor and Maddy Pyle with questions.

Join us for this time of food and fellowship!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Breakfast

All men (ages 12 and older) are invited to breakfast, fellowship, and spiritual growth on Saturday, August 8th, from 8-9:30a. *Sign up on the bulletin board.*

Ladies Book Club

The July/August selection is "The Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip" by Sara Brunsvold. Obtain a copy and get reading. We will meet on Monday, August 17th, at 6p for a discussion.

Aidyn Kelley is ambitious, and ready for a more serious assignment than the fluff pieces she's been getting as a cub reporter for the Kansas City Star. In her eagerness, she pushes too hard, earning herself the menial task of writing an obituary for an unremarkable woman who's just entered hospice care.

But there's more to Clara Kip than meets the eye. The spirited septuagenarian may be dying, but she's not quite ready to cash it in yet. Never one to shy away from an assignment herself, she can see that God brought the young reporter into her life for a reason. And if it's a story Aidyn Kelley wants, that's just what Mrs. Kip will give her.

DIRECTORIES

The new Directories were available in May.
Didn't get one? See Chari Rhoads to get a copy.

Didn't get your picture in for this printing?
We will provide additional pages in September.

Submit a photo of your family via email (mzwc.office@gmail.com) or give to Chari Rhoads by **AUGUST 16TH**.

Photo must be a good resolution.

Please include with the photo:
Names of everyone in the photo
Home address, Phone number(s), Email

(We include contact information in the directory. Include the above information if you are comfortable with your church family having it.)

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MISSIONS NEWS

July Missions Giving

Global Partners

Faith Promise . . .	$900
JESUS Film . . .	$100
Emergency Relief Fund (Venezuela) . . .	$200
Shunem Ministries . . .	$200
He Sapa New Life Ministries . . .	$200
The Hot Dog Club . . .	$200
Wycliffe Bible Translations (Middle East) . . .	$100

It's Not Too Late . . .

. . . to make a Faith Promise commitment to support our 3 missionary families. Pray about it, fill out a Faith Promise card and see how God works through your faithfulness to provide for our missionaries.

Each month, we ask that you join the Missions Board in praying a spiritual blessing over our missionaries.

This Month

Pray for a blessing of contentment.

ATTENDANCE LAST MONTH

	7/5	7/12	7/19	7/26
Sunday School	53	52	46	52
Worship	161	160	171	174

KIDS & TEENS

KIDS MINISTRY

Kids Church . Sundays at 10:20a

The Elementary Kids Church has finished up learning about the end of the exile and the building of the temple. This month, we will jump into the book of Esther and see if we can find evidence of God at work.

The preK and younger Kids Church groups will pick up where they left off in the spring with the end of the exile. At the end of the month, they will spend a brief time learning about Esther standing up for what is right.

Join the Team!

We haven't talked about it in awhile, but there is always a need and room for more volunteers in the kids ministry. Contact Karyn to see what role you can fill.

I have been studying Ephesians lately. When I read the opening prayer Paul wrote over the church at Ephesus and with many of the teens participating in "40 Days of Discovery," I have been praying this over them as they strive to grow deeper in their faith. I also feel like this can be a guide for a great Back-to-School Prayer. With many of our schools starting the first or second week of August, **will you join me in using this to pray over our students?**

"Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God's people everywhere, I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you **spiritual wisdom** and **insight** so that you might grow in your knowledge of God. I pray that your **hearts will be flooded with light** so that you can understand the **confident hope** he has given to those he called — his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance."

Ephesians 1:15-18

- Karyn

TEEN MINISTRY

Sunday Teen Group . 5:30-7:30p

We plan on meeting the first four Sunday nights in August. Karyn has some special themed nights planned, but is waiting until her treatment plan is decided before making any final plans. Please bear with us as we navigate this season.

Sunday School

Karyn is loving studying the book of Esther with our teens. We will finish that this month. Teens are still welcome to join us at 9:15a.

Water Night - August 9th

Be dressed it clothes suitable to get wet. Bring a water gun or two if you have them. If your teen can come at 4:15p that night to help set up, it would be appreciated. Let Karyn know! *The back-up weather date is August 16th.*

August 30th - Pool Party

The teens are invited to a Pool Party at the Pyles! We will transport them in the church van after service that day. They will be back mid-afternoon. More details coming soon.

Youth Conference

The International Wesleyan Youth Conference is this year! "Follow" only happens every 3 years, and it is happening December 28th-31st. More info coming soon! Check it out at https://followconference.org.