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Dear Church Family,

I watch the kids get on and off the bus clinging to their phones. I see people taking their dogs into pet stores and letting their dog pick its food. I see people cruising their exotic sports cars on Friday nights.



Perhaps questions to ponder are... What do you value? To what extent? Ryan Cook encourages us to think about Psalm 135 and ask if we are worshiping something besides God? He says...

*The worship of idols was an important part of life for Israel's neighbors. Skilled craftsmen created idols from the finest materials available. Priests would perform elaborate ceremonies to endow the idol with the presence of the god. The idol would then be treated as royalty. The object would be clothed and "fed" with the best, treated with awe and reverence.*

*Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing praise to his name, for that is pleasant. PSALM 135:3 This reading is a rousing praise psalm to remind Israel that the Lord is greater than the gods of the nations. It was also a stern reminder to Israel that worshiping idols was foolish. These idols were "silver and gold, made by human hands" (v. 15). They had mouths, eyes and ears that did not work (vv. 16-18). These gods could never save or deliver like the Lord. The psalm reminds Israel that the Lord is the One who delivered them from Egypt and brought them into the land of Canaan (vv. 8-12).*

*Living in the twenty-first century, it is easy to think we are immune to the danger of worshiping idols. But an idol is anything in which we place our allegiance, trust, or hope instead of God. An idol could be our reliance on social media for affirmation or the hope we entrust to politicians. There are hundreds of ways we can fall into the trap of idol worship. An added danger is that we become similar to what we worship (v. 18).*

*The good news is that if we worship God, we will grow to become like Him. As Paul explained, "And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory" (2 Cor. 3:18).*

One of the benefits of praise is that it reminds us who God is. God loves and cares for us more than our cell phone, pet, or fun toy that is the envy of others and puts us at the center of attention. God's love for us is deserving of all of our praise. Whatever you enjoy in life... give all the glory to God.



Steve Allison,  
Minister

*"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain."*

1 Cor. 15:58

*Steve*

LET'S CELEBRATE!



20 GRADUATES 22



*Graduation*  
**RECEPTION**

CELEBRATE OUR CONGREGATION'S NEWEST  
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

**Jadyn Collis and Jacob Johnson**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5 FOLLOWING THE  
WORSHIP SERVICE**

*Enjoy light refreshments and extend  
congratulations to our grads!*



*In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge.*

*[Proverbs 14:26]*

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHT I



REGISTER  
ONLINE  
TODAY!

2022 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**MISSION:**

# DEEP SEA

JULY 24-28

6:00 – 7:30PM

FOOD – CRAFTS – GAMES – MUSIC & MORE

Our VBS is planned for next month! During the month of June, more information will be sent out as well as sign-up sheets for volunteers. Kids are already starting to register! Please consider if you can fit a couple of nights into your schedule to help!



*A crew of deep sea explorers from the Sea Exploration Agency are on a mission to explore the deepest depths of the ocean, in search of knowledge about its Creator – and you're invited too, as a SEA agent in training! As our crew travels deeper and deeper below the surface, experience the wonders of creation, face a few challenges, and discover that knowing our Creator doesn't require a special badge or a submarine.*

Our faith grows deeper when we:

- spend time with God
- spend time with others
- use our gifts to serve
- share our stories of faith

Grasp how **wide** and **long** and **high** and **deep** is the love of Christ.

Ephesians 3:18

# WORSHIP "ON-THE-GO"

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*"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."*

*Hebrews 4:12*

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHT



In honor of Father's Day, here are 15 principals about being a Dad to encourage each of you great dads:

**1. All good parenting begins with a fear of the Lord.**

*In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge. [Proverbs 14:26]*

**2. Fathers set the tone for their household. Make sure your God is at the center of your family.**

*And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." [Joshua 24:15]*

**3. The chief job of a father is to teach his kids biblical wisdom at all times.**

*And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. [Deuteronomy 6:6-9]*

**4. Always remember that children are a blessing from God.**

*Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate. [Psalms 127:3-5]*

**5. Find your parenting strength in God.**

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." [Joshua 1:9]*

**6. Talk to your kids about the Bible and help them to learn scripture. Use scripture as the basis for your parenting.**

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. [2 Timothy 3:16-17]*

**7. God works through fathers to impact their children and families. How is he working through you?**

*For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him." [Genesis 18:19]*

**8. Teach your children wisdom and they will bring you joy.**

*The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who fathers a wise son will be glad in him. [Proverbs 23:24]*

**9. Teach your children to lead their live based on a biblical worldview.**

*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. [Proverbs 22:6]*

**10. The way you lead your life can be a blessing to your kids. Lead a godly life.**

*The righteous who walks in his integrity— blessed are his children after him! [Proverbs 20:7]*

**11. Remember that your choices and actions will impact your kids and their kids and their kids.**

*The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." [Exodus 34:6-7]*

**12. A good father disciplines his son out of love and with love.**

*My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights. [Proverbs 3:11-12]*

**13. Do not provoke your children.**

*Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. [Ephesians 6:4]*

**14. Parenting is a temporary stewardship. Marriage is forever. The best thing you can do for your kids is to be a good husband.**

*Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. [Genesis 2:24]*

**15. God cares about the relationship between fathers and their kids.**

*And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction." [Malachi 4:6]*

*Happy Father's Day!*



# MISSION HIGHLIGHT: Christ to China Ministry (C2C)

Wing Wong has worked for over 52 years in China presenting the message of Christ to the people and also to the Chinese people worshipping in New Hampshire. "(Newsletter)



## How to pray

- Many young people are being brainwashed into the communist philosophy of atheism and rejecting Christianity. Spreading the Gospel message is becoming more and more of a challenge. Several small church groups are meeting in homes for their safety.
- A music center has opened and several students have signed up for lessons. Please pray that this center will make a good impact to the community and attract more people to Christ and pray for their safety as well.
- Another Bible study in a second-tier city has started. Pray that more disciples can be made and another new church will be planted.
- Most importantly please pray for all the Christians in China for their safety from Communist rule.
- Pray for Wing Wong as he brings the message of Jesus Christ to the Chinese people in New Hampshire and in China.

*"Let me start with praise and joy! In the last few weeks our Chinese teams have baptized three in one city, nine in another and last Sunday twenty-one in a beautiful river in China. God is good! Despite the Chinese government's continued efforts in tightening up the screws for religion, the Lord continues to open doors and lead more people into His folds. Please pray for these new babies in Christ that they will get the proper spiritual nourishment and guidance so they may grow to the full measure of Christ."*

*"Yes, there are always ups and downs but all the downs turned out to be stepping stones for more ups. God is surely in control of all things and in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." (newsletter April 2022)*



*For more information regarding the activities of C2C refer to the mission booklet on the mission shelf outside the office.*

*"What will the next generation of Christians in China be like if we sit back and take the easy road? Will God be pleased? Thank you for laboring with us in prayers and support!" (Wing Wong)*

# UPCOMING EVENTS!

## June 17<sup>th</sup>



Let's celebrate the men in our church  
with a

### RIVER BANDITS GAME

Father's Day Weekend  
(Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>) 6:30pm

**South Bend Cubs @ Quad City  
River Bandits**  
Tickets starting at \$23  
Fireworks after the game!



FELLOWSHIP HIGHLIGHT



## Pasta Making



Learn how to make fresh, homemade pasta  
the old-fashioned way! You will take home  
lots of pasta to store in your freezer for the  
year!

**Please sign up in the church lobby or let Criss  
Evans know, so we can plan for supplies!**

Please bring a rolling pin with you.  
Everything else will be provided to you.

**Sat., June 18<sup>th</sup> 10am**

*"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*

*[Proverbs 22:6]*



# ROOT BEER FLOAT SOCIAL

*Donations benefit URICMA*

**SATURDAY, JULY 9<sup>TH</sup>**

**6:00 – 8:00PM**

A root beer float social is set from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 9, at the Illiniwek Forest Preserve in Hampton. The purpose of this social is to raise funds for the Upper Rock Island County Minister Association, of which our church is a member.

*The URICMA is an interfaith group of nine churches that plan and lead several ecumenical worship services yearly. The clergy also have a Good Samaritan “purse” that provides funds in emergency situations. Qualified residents in the Riverdale School District may apply.*

*“Help from your church is appreciated”, says Joanne Hachtel, of Messiah Lutheran Church. “Volunteers are needed to serve floats and receive donations in one-hour shifts. Coolers filled with ice are needed. If you can help in any way, call at 614-436-3531 or email Joanne at [messiahlutheranpb.com](mailto:messiahlutheranpb.com). Please include your phone number. Thank you.”*



*The righteous who walks in his integrity— blessed are his children after him! [Proverbs 20:7]*



# OUR GIVING THIS MONTH

**ONLINE GIVING**  
*now available!*

## *Many Ways to Give:*

- IN PERSON
- MAIL
- ONLINE
- MOBILE APP

*Point your smartphone camera at the QR code to the right to be taken to the online giving site if you do not have the app on your phone.*



### **2022 Offering Budget:**

\$83,653

### **YTD Offering Actual:**

\$93,247

### **2022-2023 Mission Year**

*(beginning 5/1/2022)*

Faith Promises Goal: \$41,552

Faith Promises YTD: \$1469



### **MY FAITH PROMISE TO WORLD MISSIONS**

*After a period of much prayer and discernment, I/WE promise to support the worldwide missionary program of the Countryside Christian Church over the next year. In total dependence upon God for HIS provision, it is our promise that "As God Gives, So Shall We Give." By faith, I/We promise the following amount of money:*

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Total**

*Note: This is a faith promise, a covenant between myself and God. It is my voluntary offering for the evangelization of the world.*

## JUNE Birthdays

- 1 – Jill Weatherhead
- 12 – Don Vickroy
- 12 – Paula Mills
- 14 – Corey White
- 17 – Dorothy Wells
- 19 – Dawn Kaecker
- 20 – Lisa Jones
- 22 – Shirley Baxter
- 24 – Jo Gibbs

## JUNE Anniversaries

- 2 – Steve & Karen Allison
- 12 – Mark & Tammy Havens
- 12 – Tena & Curt Knapp
- 19 – Becky & Jason Collis
- 19 – Jim & Dawn Kaecker
- 21 – Sarah & Randy Denekas
- 27 – Greg & Lisa Jones



## June

- 1. Psalms 19-21
- 2. Psalms 22-24
- 3. Psalms 25-27
- 4. Psalms 28-30
- 5. Psalms 31-33
- 6. Psalms 34-36
- 7. Psalms 37-39
- 8. Psalms 40-42
- 9. Psalms 43-45
- 10. Psalms 46-48
- 11. Psalms 49-51
- 12. Psalms 52-54
- 13. Psalms 55-57
- 14. Psalms 58-60
- 15. Psalms 61-63
- 16. Psalms 64-66
- 17. Psalms 67-69
- 18. Psalms 70-72
- 19. Psalms 73-75
- 20. Psalms 76-78
- 21. Psalms 79-81
- 22. Psalms 82-84
- 23. Psalms 85-87
- 24. Psalms 88-90
- 25. Psalms 91-93
- 25. Psalms 94-96
- 27. Psalms 97-99
- 28. Psalms 100-102
- 29. Psalms 103-105
- 30. Psalms 106-108



THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

# Children's Ministry

## Nursery

Sunday School Time (9:30-10:15)  
Worship Time (10:45-12:00)

Date	Sunday School	Worship Service
5	Cathy Lotz	Gail Horst
12	Nancy Dufur	Nancy Dufur
19	Becki Winger	Sandy Lawrence
26	Kathy Kohrt	Mikah Mikles

## Children's Church

*\*Teacher/helper are dismissed after offering*

Date	Teacher	Helper
5	Ruth Coverdill	Karen Allison
12	Ruth Coverdill	Criss Evans
19	Ruth Coverdill	Gail Horst
26	Ruth Coverdill	Cheryl Gipson

# Worship Ministry

## Communion Meditation

**June 5**  
Jim Kaecker

**June 12**  
Don Vickroy

**June 19**  
Wayne Lotz

**June 26**  
Ryan Schmidt

## Greeters



*Please sign up for a Sunday that works for your family! Welcome people, direct them to the sanctuary, nursery, or rest rooms if needed, and hand out bulletins.*

## Church Building Cleaners

Kathy Kohrt & Lisa Jones  
Gail Horst & Georgia Cullison  
Wayne & Cathy Lotz



## Breakfast Volunteers

*New sign-up sheets are in the lobby. Please sign up for a Sunday that works best for you! Provide breakfast treats and help serve coffee and clean-up between Sunday School and Worship.*



# June

# 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him."</b></p> <p><b>Psalm 103:13</b></p> 			1 <b>Small Groups</b> Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	2 Dog Training – 1pm	3 Stamping Club (Bev Skelton) 9am-12pm	4
5 <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 9:30AM <b>COFFEE TIME</b> 10:15AM <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b> 10:45AM  <b>GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE</b>	6 Exercise Class – 12pm  <b>Evangelism/ Missions 6:30pm</b> <b>All Depts. 7pm</b>	7 Men's Study 9am  <b>Church in Use 11:30am</b>  Worship Team 6:30pm  Basketball 5-8pm	8 <b>Small Groups</b> Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	9 Elder Meeting 9am  Zuma Home Extension 1:00-4:00pm	10	11 Women's Coffee 9:30am    <b>Gym in Use 11am-4pm</b>
12 <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 9:30AM <b>COFFEE TIME</b> 10:15AM <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b> 10:45AM	13 Exercise Class – 12pm  Church in use Zuma Township Meeting	14 Men's Study 9am  Worship Team 6:30pm  Basketball 5-8pm	15 <b>Small Groups</b> Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	16 Dog Training – 1pm	17 <b>River Bandits Baseball Game 6:30pm</b> 	18 <b>Pasta-Making Class 10am</b> 
19 <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 9:30AM <b>COFFEE TIME</b> 10:15AM <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b> 10:45AM   <b>Father's Day</b>	20 Exercise Class – 12pm	21 Men's Study 9am  Worship Team 6:30pm  Basketball 5-8pm	22 <b>Small Groups</b> Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	23 Dog Training – 1pm	24	25 <b>Missionary Meet &amp; Greet with Norm Weatherhead 6:30pm</b> 
26 <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 9:30AM <b>COFFEE TIME</b> 10:15AM <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b> 10:45AM  <b>Church in Use 2-5pm</b>  <b>Food Pantry Needs</b>	27 Exercise Class – 12pm	28 Men's Study 9am  Worship Team 6:30pm  Basketball 5-8pm	29 <b>Small Groups</b> Port Byron –6pm Geneseo – 6pm	30 Dog Training – 1pm		