

Teen News

Thanks to all of you for being here this morning. Today after morning church we will be putting up bulletin boards in the hallway for LTC credit. I would like all of you to participate, even if you did not sign up for bulletin board challenge, as it will be good to have your help with the younger ones. Lunch will be provided. See you tonight.

Blake

A Jewish rabbi and a Catholic priest were good friends. They were at a community picnic one day and the priest was eating a ham sandwich. "You know," he said to his friend, "this ham sandwich is simply delicious. I know you're not supposed to eat ham, but I don't understand why something as good as this would be forbidden to you. Why don't you break down and try one?"

To which the rabbi replied, "Sure, at your wedding."

**NO BIBLE HOUR
TONIGHT OR
NEXT SUNDAY
NIGHT.**

No One Cared For My Soul

The 142nd Psalm contains "a prayer of David when he was in the cave." David, while hiding from King Saul, thought he had been deserted by all his friends. In one of the saddest verses in the Bible, David said, "Look on my right hand and see, for there is no one who acknowledges me; refuge has failed me; no one cares for my soul" (Psa. 142:4). Is it possible that you have a friend or neighbor who, like David, feels that no one cares for their soul? In all likelihood, within the last two years one of your friends or neighbors died unprepared to meet God. What did you do to prevent this tragedy? Did they know that you cared for their soul? Do your children know you care for their soul? If you do, they will know it from your instruction in the Word of God. Before the Israelites entered the promised land Moses told the people, "these words which I command you today shall be in your heart; you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (Deut. 6:6,7). Do your friends know you care for their soul? One of Paul's greatest desires was for the salvation of his nation (Rom. 10:1-3). The obligation he felt to preach made him cry out, "woe is me if I do not preach the gospel" (1 Cor. 9:16). At the judgment your concern, or lack thereof, will be made known. Imagine the heartache of one of your neighbors saying, "You never mentioned Him to me, You helped me not the light to see; You met me day by day and knew I was astray, Yet you never mentioned Him to me."

DOOR GREETERS –March 17

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
6:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

“OFFER SOMEONE THE GIFT OF HOPE”

To give hope to someone in despair is one of life's noblest deeds. And strangely enough, we who have come close to losing our hope can be of great help to others who are watching their own hope fade into oblivion.

All I usually have to do when I write a message of hope to another soul is to sit back and recall my past. What was it that someone said or did for me when in moments of discouragement. Who or what revived and gently renewed my zest for life again?

From personal experience I can testify that often hope comes back into our souls from friends' simply spoken words, from gentle hugs or caring touches, or most of all, from one insightful line written in a note that reaches beyond our pain and brings up a wonderful surging of hope within us.

Keep in mind that when people believe, think, or feel that all hope has finally vanished, that is the moment they surrender. They give up. They see absolutely no logical reason on earth to get out of bed in the mornings and must spend the days reminding themselves to breathe in and breathe out. And without some measure of hope residing in them, they lie spiritually at death's door.

So it is then, at this strategic moment in our lives, that a few kind actions or words from us can sustain and encourage the soul until real hope returns to the heart, making it strong enough to stand on its own two feet again. Why not offer hope to someone today who needs encouragement and love? Sometimes it is true, “No one needs hope more than those who feel they have none left to give”

Dan Manuel

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DID YOU MOVE YOUR CLOCK FORWARD?



From Dan's desk:

If you have not moved your clock forward, you are lagging behind. It is hard to believe that we are in the Daylight Savings Time frame again. Each year I am reminded that the clock is moving forward for each of us and that someday that clock will stop for all of us. Time shall be no more. This is the reason we should take each day as it comes and live for God each moment that we are allowed to live upon His good earth. We are blessed and we should use our time wisely in service to Him. Thanks for being with us today. The Annual Dogwood Trails start next Friday. Over the next few weeks, we will no doubt have numerous visitors with us. Take time to greet them with a hearty handshake or hug and make them feel good about visiting our services. Thanks to all of you who came to the chapel to sing, during the monthly singing night last Wednesday night. One of the great blessings of God is the opportunity to blend our voices together in sweet hymns of praise to our Lord. These are always times of encouragement. In Eph. 5:19 we are told to "Sing and make melody in our hearts to the Lord", thereby admonishing each other. We are happy for Robert and Lois on their marriage yesterday here at the building. We rejoice with them on this decision. We hope and pray that God will give them many years together. Thanks to Dennis and Bryan Homann for the repair work done in adding new railing along the sidewalk. This will hopefully prevent anyone falling or getting hurt. We will look forward to seeing each of you tonight at the evening worship service at 6 P.M. We will try to get you out before it gets dark, especially for those who cannot drive after dark. Make an effort to be here See you tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

SANDRA IVES was released from the hospital and returned home, prognosis is not good. Hospice has been called in.

GEORGE LESTER is in Elkhart Oaks Nursing Home for rehab for a couple of weeks after colon surgery.

BEVERLY NORWOOD is still experiencing heart problems at her home.

MATTHEW RAY is now in rehab center here .

KATHY CROOK had brain surgery is not doing very well.

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE WITH CONTINUING ILLNESSES:
Dennis Ellison, Ed Furman, Gary Oliver, Linda Allen, Joann Johnson, Patricia Manville, Maggie Larsen, Harold Fitzgerald., Billie Briley, Frances Hahn, Jacky Hankins,

Our sympathy is extended to Jim Hahn in the death of his sister, EDNA STRAUSS, who passed away last week in Alaska. Her services were held on Friday in Anchorage, AK.

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. "It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts." Thanks again for coming. Do come again.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Robert and Lois Duzan who were united in marriage at the church building yesterday. We are happy for them.

"UNLESS I SEE THE PRINTS"

"Unless I shall see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." (John 20:25)

Thomas was nobody's fool. Although today he is often referred to as "doubting Thomas," he was using all the best evidence available to him in order to decide about the validity of the resurrection claim.

You see, Thomas had seen crucifixions before. He understood the agony and humiliation. But there was one thing that stuck out in his mind more than anything else; he had never spoken to, or seen, a "crucifixion survivor." Every time that a body was taken off the tree, it was completely and undeniably dead.

After all, death is final! And in Thomas' mind's eye, there was no room for discussion. And one thing is clear, crucifixion still left as permanent a mark on the Savior as it did on Thomas. The next time that you hear the quoting of Galatians 2:20, remember Thomas. Remember his difficulty believing and realize that after he experienced his own crucifixion on the day he touched the resurrected body, he never quit telling the story of the risen Savior. No suffering or cost was too great!

QUARTERLY FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Two weeks from today, on March 24th, we will have our Quarterly Fellowship. Please start making plans to attend. We will probably have guests because it's the last weekend of the Dogwood Trails.

This Wednesday night, March 13th, there will be a Diaper Shower in honor of Amy & Corey Camp after Wednesday night Bible class, in the activity building. They will be having a baby boy soon. All ladies in the