

Beacon Light

**We live to Grow Christ's kingdom by
passionately sharing His truth in love.**

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**I WILL SING ALOUD
OF YOUR STEADFAST LOVE
IN THE MORNING.**

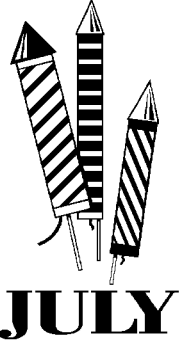
PSALM 59:16





Happy Birthday

- 1 Christopher Overton, Bonnie Sydow, Christina Byrer
- 2 Thomas Estabrook
- 3 Rita Hartzburg
- 9 Carolyn Kerns, Carrie Loheider
- 13 Nancy Faith
- 14 Susan Miller
- 16 Allen Davis
- 18 Linda McMillin
- 24 Dylan Caballero, Dorothy Arthur
- 26 Joe Maberto, Dana Smith
- 28 Vicki Hamilton, Christopher Loheider
- 30 Doris DeCoursey, Sheryl Sinclair, Tiffany
Betsch
- 31 Doug Sydow



Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month

Happy 26th Anniversary to Bill & Chris Grabbe on July 1st.



Happy 3rd Anniversary to Paul & Linda McMillin on July 7th.



Happy 40th Anniversary to Bob & Sheryl Sinclair on July 14th.



Happy 7th Anniversary to Chris & Carrie Loheider on July 19th.

THE PASTORS PAGE



"In contemporary society our Adversary majors in three things: noise, hurry, and crowd. If he can keep us engaged in 'muchness' and 'manyness,' he will rest satisfied. Psychiatrist Carl Jung once remarked , 'Hurry is not of the Devil; it is the Devil.'" Celebration of Discipline, Richard Foster.

How true that statement is. I was reflecting today on how busy I have been this week. Today was the first day this week I was able to sit down at my desk and work on my "normal tasks." I don't want to get into the details, but this week has been crazy.

As I thought about how crazy it was, I couldn't help but think about how all that busyness got in the way of my "God" time. I didn't do a good job of reading the scriptures the past few days, and I have not spent nearly enough time in prayer. The busyness of life was a temptation that Satan has and is using to keep me from connecting with Christ! I have to make an intentional effort to slow down, even if for a few minutes, meditate of scriptures and communicate with my Savior. Because without that slow down, I will lose the foundation for my life. Without my time with God, I will have no focus. Without my relationship, I will fail in so many areas of my life.

It is absolutely necessary that all of us work to not let the business of this world take over. Instead we must take a moment to slow down and reconnect with God.

"Oh, how I love thy law! It is my meditation all the day ... I hold my feet from every evil way, in order to keep thy word. I do not turn aside from thy ordinances, for thou hast taught me"

Psalm 119



NEWS FROM THE PEWS

OUR CONDOLENCES –Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Larry Alexander. Larry went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Thursday, June 3rd. Larry was as a man of strong faith to his God and to his church. We ask you to please keep his wife Sharon and the family in your prayers.

BAPTISM –We rejoice with Jesus on the baptism of Molly Pinkstaff. Molly stepped into the water of baptism on June 6th. Since her baptism, Molly and her family has moved to Texas. Please keep this young lady and her family in your prayers.

YOUTH SUNDAY -It was a youth takeover on June 6th, and was it ever a blessing! The service opened with Molly Pinkstaff *joyfully* stepping into the waters of baptism, and that joy carried the congregation through the rest of the service! We were enthusiastically led in worship by Gabby Lemons, Macy & Madison Carpenter, Grace Jones, & Tali Boyles. Abby Sydow blessed us with a beautiful piano solos. As we entered the doors of the church we were greeted by Hope Sydow. Cameron Carpenter kept us up to date on what would be happening throughout the week with announcements. We were served holy communion by Micah & Daniel Sydow, Tucker Woodburn, and David Akers. Our tithes and love gifts were taken up by Zach Boyles, Isaac Maze, CJ Akers, and Chase West. And what an insightful message was given to us by Andrew Maze. From start to finish, the joy of the LORD permeated our house of worship! Truly we can learn from the example of childlike faith from the kids at FBC!

BIG THANKS - A big thank you to the Let's Grow Sunday School class for providing breakfast between services on Youth Sunday. The time of food and fellowship were great! We celebrated Promotion Sunday and also thanked our interim youth workers, Ben McVay, Nicole Hagemeyer, and Thomas Estabrook. Thanks to all who prepared, served, and cleaned up the breakfast!

SMALL GROUP - Are you interested in leading a Small Group? We are looking for Small Group leader in the fall for September through November. If you feel led to do this contact Carol Maze.

FATHERS DAY –Dear ol’ Dad! What would we do without him. On Sunday, June 20th we celebrated the fathers that God has truly blessed us with. During each service a few special dads were honored and given a brand new hammer. During the first service the oldest father present was Joe Maberto, the father with the most children present was Don Hart and the father with the quickest wallet that could find a \$2.00 bill was Bill Heller. During the second service Bob Maze was the oldest father present, Doug Sydow had the most children present and Lee Miller has the fastest wallet with the \$2.00 bill. The money that would have been spent on a little trinket for each fathers was used to help send a child to church camp this year. Thanks Dad!

STEP INTO THE WATERS –What a glorious day it was on Sunday morning, June 27th. During the first service Vicki Hamilton and her two children William and Amber stepped into the waters of baptism and gave their lives to Jesus Christ and joined the church in membership. Please keep this family in your prayers.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER –Another Community Dinner was a success. Members from the church and community came together to feast and fellowship together. Tacos, refried beans and Mexican rice was served. Many delicious desserts were donated by church members. If you missed out, we will be having another meal on July 25th from 5:00 –7:00 p.m. Come and dine!

FREE FOR ALL-The Back to School Free 4 All will be held on Saturday, July 17th from 10:00 a.m. till noon. We have clothing for Infants, kids, teen, women & men in many sizes. Help is needed on the day of the give away. If you would like to volunteer, please be at the church on that Saturday by 9:00 a.m. You will receive a blessing.

~BOOK REVIEW ~

"Flight to Heaven"

By Capt. Dale Black

Flight to Heaven - A pilot's true story

A plane crash... A lone survivor... A journey to heaven... and back.

"Capt. Dale Black has flown as a commercial pilot all over the world, but one flight changed his life forever -- an amazing journey to heaven and back. The only survivor of a horrific plane crash, Dale was hovering between life and death when he had a wondrous experience of heaven. What he saw, what he heard, and what he learned there continues to ripple through his life and touch others. Against all odds, Dale miraculously recovered from his injuries and learned to fly again. Now, with his life as a testament, he shares his inspiring story -- offering hope and encouragement for those dealing with serious injuries or the loss of a loved one, and those looking for assurance about this life and the next."

This book is more than about heaven. It is a story of one young man's miraculous, incredible recovery from his injuries. He was lonely -- friends stayed away, because they just didn't know what to say or do -- and this brought Dale into an amazingly wonderful relationship with God.

I highly recommend you take this journey with him. There are two copies of this book in our church library. Enjoy!

Sara Heller



THE JESUS LEAGUE

COME AND ENJOY A SUPER TIME ON JULY
26TH-30TH FROM 9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home/Cell Phone () _____ Age _____

Grade going into _____

In case of emergency, contact _____

Number of emergency contact _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Allergies or other medical conditions _____

Home Church _____

Do you need transportation? _____

Address for pick up _____

Squad # (for church use only): _____

DOOR GREETERS

July 4	1st Service	Christina Byrer
	2nd Service	Anna May Robinson & Kelsey
July 11	1st Service	Nina Mahan
	2nd Service	Lauren Alexander
July 18	1st Service	Terry & Evelyn Chambon
	2nd Service	Bonnie & Micah Sydow
July 25	1st Service	Tom & Alberta Burnett
	2nd Service	Deanna Alston

USHERS

July 4	1st Service	David & Melissa Overton Mitch & Carla Arthur
	2nd Service	Doug & Bonnie Sydow Steve & Andrea Hart
July 11	1st Service	Don & Margaret Hart Tom & Alberta Burnett
	2nd Service	Luke Sydow, Caleb Sydow, Micah Sydow & Ben McVay
July 18	1st Service	Bill & Chris Grabbe Randy & Sharon Hobson
	2nd Service	Becky & Tali Boyles Beverly & Grace Jones
July 25	1st Service	Jill & Tom Woodburn Paul McMillin & Nina Mahan
	2nd Service	Doug & Bonnie Sydow Steve & Andi Hart

SCRIPTURE READERS

July 4	1st Service	Sharon Hobson
	2nd Service	Luke Sydow
July 11	1st Service	Margaret Hart
	2nd Service	Grace Jones
July 18	1st Service	Lu Miller
	2nd Service	Steve Hart
July 25	1st Service	Gary Byrer
	2nd Service	Becky Boyles

YOUTH CHURCH WORKERS

July 4	2nd Service	Kayla Ramsey
July 11	2nd Service	Carol Maze
July 18	2nd Service	Helen Maze
July 25	2nd Service	Ben McVay

OUR TITHES AND ATTENDANCE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship Services</u>	<u>Offering</u>
June 6	Promotion Sun.	183	\$2,755.50
June 13	53	119	\$2,844.91
Jun3 20	56	139	\$2,105.59
June 27	51	130	\$3,186.42
		Average Offering	\$2,723.11
		Average Needed	\$2942.40



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