

In the **KNOW**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND FIRST?

- **There is a PRAYER TIME 15 minutes before the morning service in the Pastor's Study.** These prayer times help create an atmosphere of expectancy.
- **GET in COMMUNITY!** Small group discipleship takes place on-site each Sunday (even during the summer) at 9:45 AM. These life-sharing and learning environments are Bible based and explore topics for personal and spiritual growth each week.
- **WELCOME to the District IMPACT Team!** The Impact Team is touring the district providing ministry in song, drama and testimony and we are delighted to have them with us this morning to share the story of the Prodigal with us. Our own Pastor Andrea is the director and we are looking forward to their ministry to us today.
- **7th Annual Patriotic Celebration and All-Church Picnic, Sunday, July 3 at 10:30** with special speaker and musical guest, Dave Clark. No Sunday School that day! Dress casual and wear red, white and blue.
- **Our LINKS Missionaries, Jay & Teanna Sunberg will be speaking and sharing with us on Sunday, July 17.** Mark your calendars and make a point of coming to be inspired by the work God is doing in the countries of eastern Europe.

Generosity Gauge for June 19

Tithe Giving	\$4,453.01
Faith Promise (Missions)	215.00
Building Fund	120.00
Sunday School	95.16

PRAYER is a priority

OUR WORLD

Local, state, national and world leaders including the President, his advisors, and others in authority
 Those serving in the military, including chaplains
 Jay & Teanna Sunberg, LINKS missionaries serving in Bulgaria
 The Persecuted Church!
 Those affected by political unrest and natural disasters here and around the world
 Rod & Sarah Reed, missionaries to Kenya in Africa

OUR CHURCH

The Pastoral Staff, Leadership Team, & Sunday School Teachers
 Outreach and discipling efforts to reach the needy and develop Christlike followers
 12 new families, 25 conversions to Christ, 5 more tithers this year
 Dr. David Graves, G.S.; Rev. Harold Berrian, D.S.; and Zone churches and pastors including Rev. Robert Poci and Mt. Sterling
 Nate Berrian, volunteer in Peru

OUR PEOPLE

Health Concerns:

Mike Gonzalez, Debbie Meadows, Jean Ward

Shut-ins: Corrine Bullock, Rena Davidson, Virgil & Nelle Dickison, Pauline Fannin, Verna Felty, Emma Flannery, Edith Gray, Cecil Lilly, Arnold Litteral, Mary Metz, Candice Rice, Myra Speaks, Lucille Tackett

OUR PASTORS

Dr. Steve Ruby—Lead Pastor
Andrea Covert—Worship Arts
Jerrold Covert—Youth & Families
Paula Sergent—Discipleship & Assimilation
Curt Skeens—Teaching

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The Program

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FIRST

time here? OR SECOND, OR THIRD OR TENTH.....

Welcome

We are really glad you came today! We know everyone is at different places in their spiritual journey and do not automatically assume you know who God is, but this is one place where we think you can come to understand Him better and get to know the real Jesus, who wants you to experience His love. We won't ask you to wear a nametag or make a speech, but we are so happy you are here!!

HILLS we die on... We are committed to **GROWTH**.

The expectation is that everyone will demonstrate a desire to grow in their faith and as a result be more like Jesus. In order to grow it is necessary to be pushed out of our comfort levels. Safe doesn't mean comfortable.

We are kid and family friendly

Your kids will **LOVE** this...

kids' first ministries is designed for ALL kids regardless of personality, energy level or special needs. We are anxious to have your child in a place where they can meet learn about GOD, and we are sure you are as well. Our children's ministry area is safe and secure, too. We care about what you care about.

Evening Service @ 7:00 pm with our Lead Pastor preaching on the subject, Why Trials?

grow up *

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS are a great opportunity to develop your faith while you deepen your sense of community with others who are pursuing similar goals. Currently we are studying an ancient letter written by a guy named Paul to a church that existed in the first century called Ephesus. We think you will discover more about yourself than you might imagine. Check it out each week at 7:00pm.

Talk Notes

SUMMER SERMON SERIES:

What Being a Disciple of Jesus Really Means!

UPDATE ON THE STAFF POSITION

In the interest of keeping you informed about the process and progress of filling the staff position for Pastor to Children and Families, a search team consisting of Jamey & Heather Sellars, Suella Slibeck, Patty Filbin, Katrina Hamilton, Diane Ruby and Paula Sergent met this week to establish a profile and engage in conversation about the vacancy.

We are not attempting to or desiring to replace a person because people are irreplaceable. Brandon and Korie cannot be replaced, but the position can be filled by a person who will bring their own set of gifts and abilities, as well as experiences to the ministry already existing.

Much discussion was engaged in and a few resumes were examined and others are being received almost daily. There is a desire to move ahead as quickly as possible to fill this important ministry position, but to also be extremely prayerful that we find the person God wants and knows is the right fit for this season in the life of the church and in the interest of the ministry.

Feel free to ask questions of the search team or to provide helpful feedback on the process. Be assured that this is of utmost priority but is also something we will not rush just to fill a vacancy.

Pastor Brandon developed a solid team of servant leaders who are stepping up and standing in the gap during this interim.

The ministry will continue with excellent assistance from the Creative Team and teachers. They are all onboard and filling the assignments they have been given through the beginning of September. Be assured that nothing will change in terms of the ministry given to our precious assets we call "children".

We will continue to evaluate and prayerfully proceed in the process of finding God's person for this vital ministry role. Your prayers, cooperation, and commitment to showing up and bringing your children will demonstrate your willingness to partner with those that are equally interested in seeing the ministry to children and families thrive and expand in the weeks and months to come.

THANKS!!!

We deeply appreciate all those who invested so much time and effort in assisting with the District Conventions and Assembly. Hosting the meetings and services are no small task, believe me.

Countless hours were given to set-up, tear down, and daily demands associated with hosting this event.

Special thanks to Howard and Suella Slibeck who coordinated the whole thing. Chris and CJ Epperson who did such a capable job of handling the sound and video side of the conventions and assembly. Lydia Whitlock and Sally Sexton who were wonderful leaders in providing assistance in the kitchen and refreshments for our guests. Parking valets Mitch Sherman, Vernon Leeper and Tom Godbey who pulled double duty by keeping the facility spotless and stocked with necessary items.

For all those who helped in anyway, thank you and we are proud of your servant attitude.