

PLAN FOR THE WEEK

Times are p.m. unless otherwise noted

Blood Pressure/Glucose Screening
Sunday morning before and after the 10:30 service, in the gym.

Sunday

8:15 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast (F.H.)
9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 Epic Center(Sr. Hi)
6:00 Missions Dessert Potluck Uganda
Report Night (gym)
Please bring a dessert to share
6:30 Prayer/Worship at Lakeland
Community Church

Monday

9:00 a.m. Forever Fit (GYM)
6:00 Patriotic Drama Rehearsal (W.C.)
7:00 Salt & Light (Ages 18 - 30) (F.H.)

Tuesday

12:00 - 2:00 Parish Nurse
6:30 Choir
6:30 Color Guard Meeting (see note)
8:30 Men's Team (W.C.)

Wednesday

6:30 Sr. Hi. Life's Blend at Ticked Pink
6:30 Jr. Hi (6th graders Welcome)(see note)
6:30 Prayer Meeting

Thursday

8:45 MOPS (Mothers of PreSchoolers)
6:15 Forever Fit (gym)
6:30 Worship Team (Jeff)
7:00 Czech Team Meeting (Room 5)

Friday

6:00 a.m. Men's Floor Hockey

Saturday

5:00 Saturday Community
Contemporary Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

A detailed prayer list is available at the welcome area in the lobby.

Prayer Focus John and Jenny - Asia



Prayer requests:

- Praises: John shared his testimony with a taxi driver. Pray for other opportunities. In learning the language, they are beginning to communicate deeper things.
- They hope to finish the first stage of language learning by the end of May or soon after.
- Pray for being prepared to lead a study of the BOOK starting in about a week. They are currently preparing for the big vocabulary test.
- Continue praying for their future in Uz. Millions have never heard the Good News.

Our Family

Elizabeth Bush - recovering from surgery
Frank Eitmontas - recovering from a pulmonary embolism
Marge Metcalf - Mt. Caramel Medical Center in Burlington
Rachel Erickson - stomach issues
Jane Klockers - recovering from foot surgery
Gladys Girard - Skaalan Nursing Home in Stoughton - final stages of Alzheimers
Dottie Retzlaff - undergoing chemo
Pastor Howard Matson - improved health
Peter Vanderveld - recovering from leg surgery

Bereavement

Mother of Bill (Kendra) Mott, and grandmother of Patrick, Jeannette, passed away on May 9th. Services were held May 15th.

Emergency Prayer Chain

Please call one of the following if you have an emergency request:

Bea Nieuburt	262-740-2434
Barb Hinzpeter	262-275-3803
Valerie Troast	262-745-6605

COMING EVENTS

5/26	PRAYER SHAWL MEETING (2:00 P.M.)	6/19	PRIMETIME LIVE (SEE NOTE)
5/27	PARENT/ TEEN MTG. (6:30 P.M.)		GOSPEL TEAM - ECHOES (7:00 P.M.)
5/28	MOPPETS BRUNCH (9:30 A.M.)	6/25	UPWARD SOCCER BEGINS
5/30&6/4	UPWARD SOCCER EVALUATIONS	6/26	MEN/BOYS CAMPOUT AT DEVIL'S LAKE
6/3	FINANCE SUMMIT BEGINS		PATRIOTIC CONCERTS (7:00 P.M.)
6/6	FAMILY CONNECTIONS EVENT	7/2&3	SUMMER SUMMIT BEGINS
6/8	"FOREVER FIT" - "THE POWER HOUR" BEGINS	7/15	MEN'S BACKPACKING TRIP
		7/18	

God's work done God's way in God's time brings God's resources

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009 Budget</u>
Year-to-date General Fund Income	\$468,563.60	\$392,321.39	\$433,165.63
Year-to-date General Fund Expenses	\$482,268.87		
Year-to-date Missions Income	\$ 96,478.00	\$ 96,576.65	\$ 98,784.00
Benevolent Offering	\$ 26,428.00	\$ 12,633.71	

Living In the Shadow of
EASTER . . . The Steward Privilege

Pastor Doug Anderson

May 16 - 17, 2009

" . . . wait for the gift My Father promised . . . you will receive power . . . and be My witnesses (friends / stewards / ambassadors) . . . to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:4, 8)

➤ **The ultimate GIFT (Acts 1:4)**

- "I am going there to prepare a place for you . . . I will come back and take you to be with Me . . ." (John 14:1-3)

How am I preparing for heaven?

- ". . . ask anything in My name, so the Son may bring glory to the Father . . ." (John 14:13; 15:16; 16:23)

What am I asking?

- "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor . . . the Spirit of Truth . . . He lives with you . . ." (John 14:16, 17)

How am I maximizing the benefit of God as my Counselor?

- "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit . . ." (John 15:5)

What fruit am I producing?

- "Father, protect them by the power of Your name . . ." (John 17:11)

From what am I being protected? How is He protecting me?

- "Now this is eternal life: that they may know YOU, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom You have sent." (John 17:3)

How is my delightful relationship with God growing?

➤ **The Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:4)**

- John's baptism of repentance (Acts 19:4)
- Jesus' baptism of identity/mission (Matt. 3:13-17)
- Believers' baptism of "followership" (Acts 2:38)

- Holy Spirit baptism into Christ (Galatians 3:27)
- Holy Spirit baptism . . . regeneration, a new creation (John 3:1-8; 2 Cor. 5:17)
- Holy Spirit baptism . . . sealing (Ephes. 1:13) / gifting (1 Cor. 12)

➤ **Holy Spirit empowering me for 'the steward privilege'**

- to think with a new mind, the mind of Christ. (1 Cor. 2:10-16)
How is my thinking similar to Jesus' thinking?

- to feel with Jesus' heart of compassion. (Matt. 9:36)
What evidence that I have Jesus' heart?

- to live His mission for me. (Acts 1:8)
What is His purpose for my life? What difference will God make in this world when I accomplish His purpose for me? What if I don't?

- to maximize His/my Time. (James 4:13, 14; Acts 13:36)
How do I measure the effectiveness of my time use?
What does wasted time look like in my life?

- to maximize His/my Talents. (1 Cor. 12; Eph. 4:11-16; Rom. 12)
What are my God given talents? How am I developing and using them for His honor and in obedience to His guidance?
What does squandering my talents look like?

- to maximize His/my Treasure. (Luke 12; 1 Tim. 6:6-10)
What eternal difference is being accomplished with the resources I am responsible to steward? How is God being honored with the resources entrusted to me? What does selfish or foolish financial stewardship look like?