



JAMESTOWN TODAY



*Building Bridges To The
Families Of Our Community!*

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CHURCH STAFF

- **Bette Thompson**
Pastor
- **Tammy Bainter**
Administrative Assistant
- **Kristin Farwig**
Choir Director
- **Sandra Metcalf**
Organist/Pianist
- **Diana Cook**
Pianist
- **Geri Angel**
Custodian

A word from Pastor Bette...

In many things concerning our Christian faith, you have heard me say that repetition is a good thing. I am not kidding.

The summer season is soon approaching, and there will be the usual shifts in the church's activities. The Bible studies take a break, and our Jamestown choir also takes a rest. Many of the groups still meet, like the Lamplighters Sunday School class and Children's Church. For most, summer means we shift gears a little.

We are planning vacations, attending weddings and graduations, and the entire pace seems to shift speeds. The rhythms of life will be changing as we experience more daylight in the evenings and mornings, and the weather changes to accommodate our outdoor activities. Of course, this is nothing different – we are Hoosiers after all – and we know the drill.

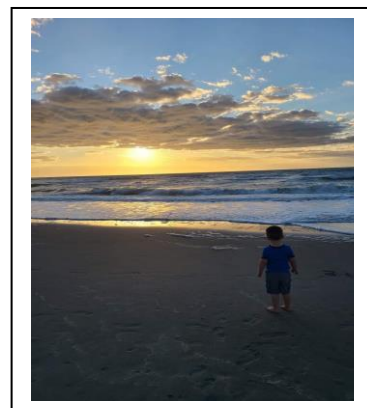
In Scripture we are taught that rest is not just one of our Ten Commandments, but a gift to us from God who loves us and sets the example for the benefit of resting ourselves mentally and physically. But our faith and worship also calls for a period of rest. A different kind of rest, as we find time to be alone with God and recharge, many find their rest in being with family, friends, nature, time spent on (or near) the water.

In his book "Sabbath as Resistance: Saying No to the Culture of Now," Walter Bruggeman gives us many excellent examples of rest, and why we as God's children need rest. He also speaks of rest as a "gift" from the God of Israel. A gift given to us by God; the seventh day is to be a day of rest. God exemplifies this gift for us as we actually read about God resting on the seventh day in the story of creation. We also read about the liberation of the Israelite people from their enslavement in Egypt. You can read about this in the book of Exodus, chapters 1-15. God's care and providence are evident in how the Israelite people are led by God (through Moses and Joshua) towards their freedom.

Recently I spent some time away, and so did Tammy, our Administrative Assistant. In setting apart time for God, and for personal rest with God, we will be given that peace that Jesus speaks of in the gospels. A peace not like this world gives. Go and be the Church, friends. And enjoy these longer days and milder weather and hug your friends and family!!! Find opportunities to stop and spend quality time with God.

Blessings and peace,

Pastor Bette



BIRTHDAYS

7	Karen Miller
12	Joyce Polston
13	Damen Ullery
15	Marcia Clark
	Marta Clark
16	Rich Martin
19	Carlee Miller
	Paige Miller
22	Steve Stout Sr.
23	August Farwig
25	Jessica Yoder

♥ANNIVERSARIES♥

17	Roger & Kim Stoops	1979
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OUR MISSIONS AT WORK...

We have received words of thanks from the following:

- Cub Scout Pack 787
- Cultivate Food Rescue

Please see posted thank you cards.



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

We need you to help lead our children during the worship service. Our children are dismissed following the Choir Anthem to go downstairs to participate in Children's Church. So, it is only about 25 minutes. Lesson plans are chosen and ready for you. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall entry. Thank you for prayerfully considering helping!



MISSIONS

Loose Coin Offerings: June Loose Coin will go to **Sleep In Heavenly Peace**. "At Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP), we believe service is about much more than constructing beds for kids in need. Our mission of **NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!** extends to building communities, transforming lives, and creating opportunities for personal growth and learning. Every bed we build demonstrates the power of service and the incredible potential that emerges when people come together with a shared purpose." You may donate any time this month. Simply write a separate check or cash and mark it "loose coin". **THANK YOU** for your generosity.

Church Community Services:

June...Cereals (hot or cold), Peanut Butter, Jelly, Toilet Paper, Ready to Eat Canned Pasta Meals, Crackers, Hamberger Helpers.

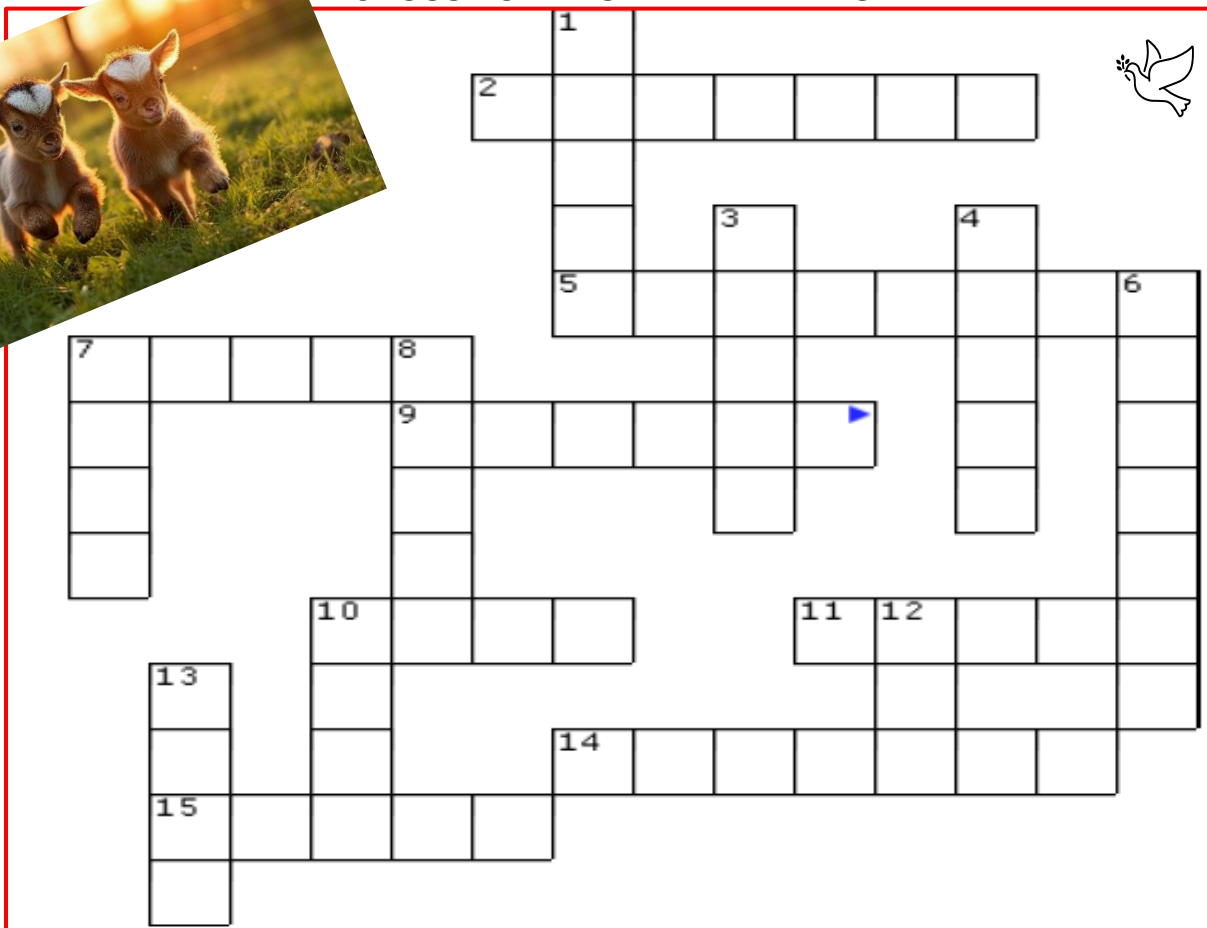
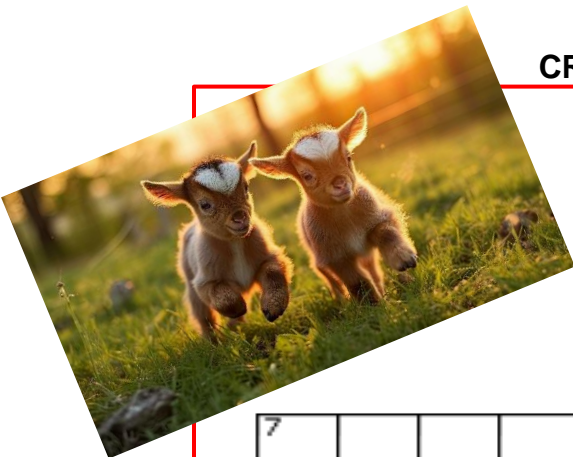


Bible Study

We will be taking a hiatus from bible study for the summer. We will post in the bulletin when bible study resumes. Have a great summer! Please call the church office or Pastor Bette if you would like to attend future bible studies or if you have questions. **574-293-3905 or 574-229-7810.**



CROSSWORD PUZZLE: ANIMALS



ACROSS:

- 2 Food of John the Baptist
 5 Therefore do not fear; you are of more value than many___
 7 Daniel was thrown into a den of ___
 9 Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous___
 10 As the ___ pants for streams of water, so I long for you, O God.

- 11 First bird released by Noah
 14 Before the ___ crows, you will disown me three times!
 15 Most frequently mentioned animal in the Bible

DOWN

- 1 Jesus' parable of the sheep and ___
 3 It is easier for a ___ to through the eye of a needle than a rich man to enter kingdom of God.
 4 White animal in Revelation
 6 Eden tempter

- 7 The ___ of God who takes away the sin of the world!
 8 Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast you pearls before ___
 10 The Holy Spirit appeared at Jesus' baptism as this animal
 12 Industrious insect in Proverbs
 13 Jesus fed 5000 with two ___ and five loaves of bread



NAME: _____

Return by July16th

Answers: Last month was a word search...

Those that were up for the challenge in May: Jane Lechlitner, Marcia Clark, Doug Cook, Lana Berg, Marta Clark, Nancy Miller, and Roberta Mann



JUNE VOLUNTEERS

	Liturgist	Acolytes	Children's Message	Children's Church
1 st	Jeff Clark	Steve & Roberta Mann	Becky Metcalf	TBD
8 th	Jeff Clark	Keith & Tammy Bainter	Pastor Bette	TBD
15 th	Linda Vest	TBD	Carolyn Landis	TBD
22 nd	Linda Vest	Deb Beehler & Jeff Clark	Pastor Bette	TBD
29 th	Deb Beehler	Jane Rapp & Paula LaPlace	LuAnn Pontius	TBD
Ushers	Jimmie Johnson, Jon Pyfer, Dave Pontius, Marcia Cook			

🎵 POSITION OPEN AT JUMC 🎵

A Piano accompanist is needed for our weekly Wed. night choir rehearsal, Sunday morning services and special programs. Please help spread the word! Anyone interested may call Deb Beehler, 574-596-7624 or the church office, 574-293-3905.



🎵 SUMMER MEANS SPECIAL MUSIC

If you are interested in doing special music for a church service this summer, please contact Kristin and let her know. Plenty of Sundays to choose from. Text or call Kristin 574-903-3805.

Just a reminder to conserve energy and keep us safe. The Church building belongs to all of us and we need to take care of it.

- If you unlock it, Lock it back up.
- If you turn it on, Turn it off.
- If you open it, Close it.

Thank You!

UNITED METHODIST MEN

Men's breakfast July 6th @ 7:30 a.m.

Next breakfast, Aug 3rd at 7:30 a.m.

Invite your neighbors.

Following month's breakfast, Sept 7th

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

SAVE THE DATE: June 17th @ 8:00 pm enjoy a concert at McNaughton Park.

COMMUNITY CARRY-IN LUNCHEON

June Carry-In is Tuesday the 3rd at Noon.

July Carry-In is Tuesday the 1st at Noon.

Aug Carry-In is Tuesday the 5th at Noon.

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

Some of you may know that we currently have 2 teams that take Communion to some of our homebound members every month. This is a ministry of our church. This is a chance for you to be included in our busy family of volunteers. A way to take care of our people, to let them know we are thinking of them. Will you please prayerfully consider helping take Communion to some of our members. If you want more information or would like to volunteer, sign up at the Welcome Center or call the church office, 574-293-3905.

Is God nudging you?

Remember in Prayer

Home Bound & Care Facilities: Jean Green, Margaret Pierce, Patsy Seigler, Arletah Hochstetler, Al Stealy, Jan Slabaugh and Paula Adams.

Ongoing Health Concerns: Kathy Eggleston, Betty Griffin, Betty Hershberger, Lora Mahler, Wanda McCartney, Ed & Sue Raab, Linda Squibb, Marti Stickel.

Prayer Requests/Joys/Concerns

- Pastor Josh Sullivan, who was abducted in South Africa, has been returned safely.
- Linda Vest was so happy to see so many attending worship on Sunday.
- Pastor Bette thankful for all that participated with Holy Week.
- Polly Brown, who lost her mother, Lois Wilkinson.
- Betty Hershberger is thankful to everyone for the prayers and the cards concerning her health.
- Roger Matthew's friend, Shirrel (Shy-rel) Wilson, is in a coma and having seizures.
- Kathy Hinegardner's sister, Deanna Gilles, has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- Tami Pyfer fell and injured her arm.
- Jane Rapp wants to thank everyone for their contributions to the Diaper/Wipe drive.
- Cheryl Cabanaw wishes her daughter, Shannon, a happy 35th birthday.
- Captioned telephone brochures are in the welcome center. This is a free service. Rep is Katy Dubois' mother, Christie Powers.
- Linda Vest loves her church and thanked the United Women in Faith.
- LuAnn's cousins, Nicole Young & Michelle Steele, who are battling illnesses.
- Su Clark's friends. Cindy, who is battling cancer and a close friend who lost her daughter.
- Kelly Gaugler who is in the hospital.
- Pastor Bette's close friend who is struggling with depression.
- Pastor Bette's daughter, Amanda, has asked for prayers for the New Prairie students/coaches injured in a bus accident.
- Friends and family of Sandy Oakley who has passed away.
- Sally Franklin thanked Ray Hochstetler for keeping the tradition of the bells ringing at 9 a.m. going.
- Maria Moleski's cousin, Paula Mallet, had open heart surgery, then suffered a heart attack.
- Tesia Bumpus requested prayers for her sister-in-law who lost her mother.
- Prayers for the Bumpus family as they mourn the loss of Tesia's father.
- Jemma Ullery asks for prayers of peace, patience, courage and confidence for her cousin Braden, who is in Army basic training
- Friends and family of Bob Kamp.
- It was so joyful to see the youngsters of our church gathering and enjoying each other's company.
- Polly Brown as she recovers from knee replacement surgery and the loss of her fur baby.



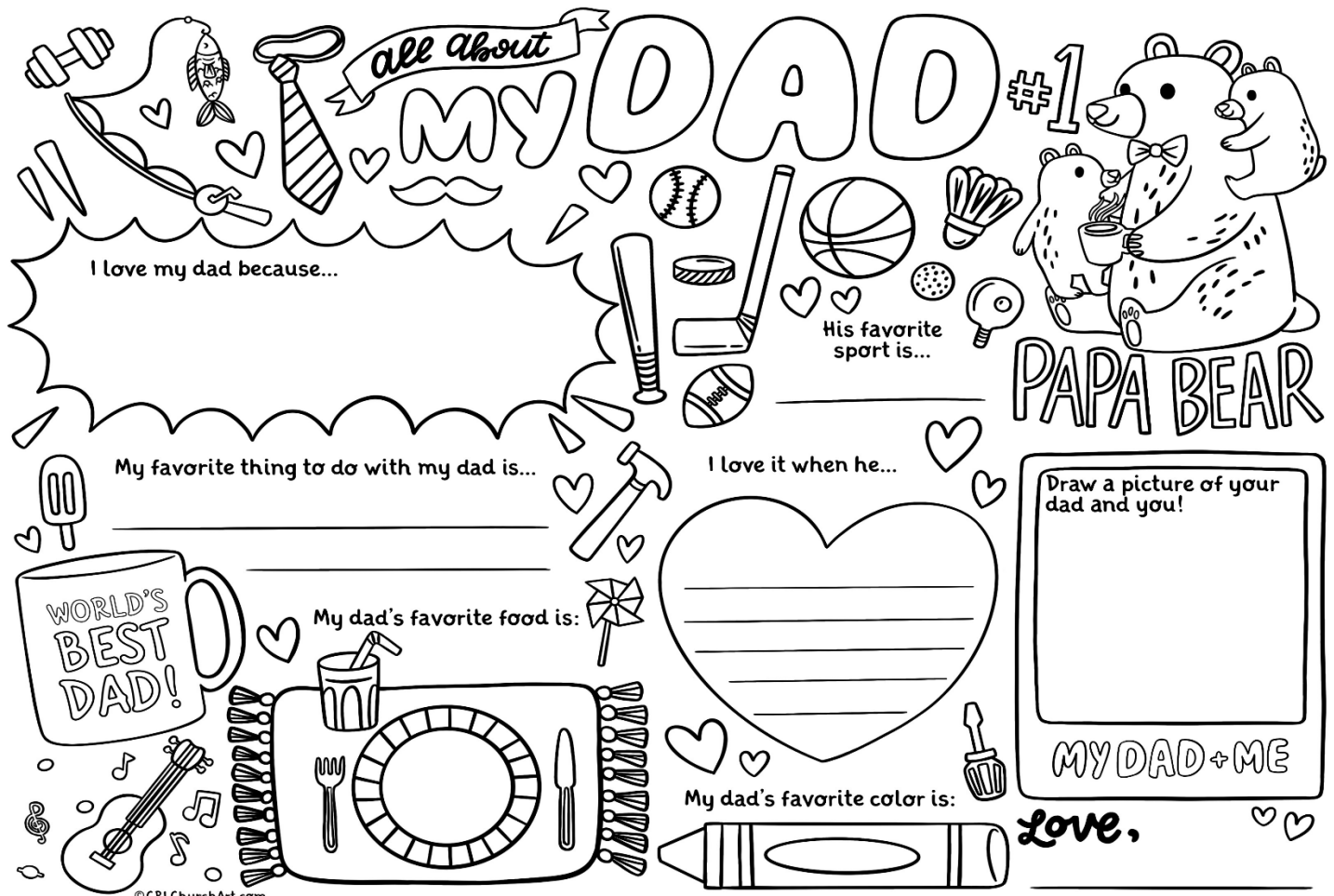
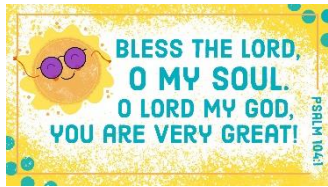
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Holy Communion 7:30 UMM Break-fast	2	3 Noon - Community Luncheon	4 6:30 Creative Homemakers	5 Annual Conference	6	7
8 Pentecost Sunday	9	10 8:00 p.m. UWIF—Enjoy the music @ McNaughton Park	11 6:00 Preschool Board Meeting 6-8 pm Lion's Club Officer Training	12 7:00 4-H Meeting	13	14 Flag Day 
15 	16	17 5:30 Missions	18	19 	20 	21 Hall—Becky Metcalf ALL DAY
22	23 National Pink Day 	24	25	26 7:00 Church Council Meeting	27 Hall—Master Gardener Assoc 10 am—1 pm	28 7:30 am—4 pm
29	30		**Devotions and Drumming 8:30 a.m. Mon, Wed and Fri in Fellowship hall			