



News from Creighton First Baptist Church



As I start this newsletter article, I had several things I could talk about but unfortunately for us and a blessing for him, Rick Thornburg went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, July 27. Rick had been attending our church for several years and will be missed. We have had several conversations through the years, about building things, hunting, fishing and my favorite: Biblical questions. I remember one conversation where he had coworkers who were not Christians and had many anti-Christian views, his question was about how to answer their objections. Of course, they had several and we had to use many scriptures, but I loved the desire to be a witness on the job. I pray we will all be a witness when we are out in the world and who knows, Rick may have planted a seed that he will see the fruit from one day in heaven. Keep the family in your prayers as two teenage girls no longer have their father.

The last week of July was Vacation Bible School. It was a tremendous blessing to have Bible School and a big crowd. I am not sure of all the numbers, of course the people are the important part, but I know we averaged over 20 kids and over 20 workers. The literature is outstanding again this year and the gospel was presented. We did have one young lady who filled out a response card and said that she was ready to receive Jesus. We will not know the impact this Bible School will have until we all get to heaven. I pray that we planted a seed, and we may see some come to Jesus. We did have some families attend that maybe the Lord will lead them to our church. Thank you to everyone who took part in any way, especially the prayer partners who were not able attend, but supported us in prayer, we cannot underestimate the power of prayer.

Finally, we have our monthly men's prayer breakfast on Saturday the 14th of August. I am mentioning this one because we are going to be using it as a ministry opportunity. At 10:00 a.m. we will give out school supplies. We voted to buy two sets of school supplies from the Sherwood school supply list for kindergarten through sixth grade. If we have more than that show up for a grade, we voted to take names and deliver them to families. Pray for this to be a good outreach and a witness to those in the community. As I told the kids in Bible School, people do not just show up to church anymore, we have to be creative and get to them where they are. If we do not give away all our school supplies, we will get them to the school, I am sure they can put them to good use.

Have a blessed month and be witness wherever you are.

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Coming Soon!

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study
August 14 at 8:30 a.m.

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Grades K-6th
Available at
Creighton First Baptist Church
August 14 at 10:00 a.m.

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Blind

SHOW me your God the doubter cries.
I point him out the smiling skies;
I show him all the woodland greens;
I show him peaceful sylvan scenes;
I show him winter snows and frost;
I show him waters tempest-tossed;
I show him hills rock-ribbed and strong;
I bid him hear the thrush's song;
I show him flowers in the close
The lily, violet and rose;
I show him rivers, babbling streams;
I show him youthful hopes and dreams;
I show him stars, the moon, the sun;
I show him deeds of kindness done;
I show him joy, I show him care,
And still he holds his doubting air,
And faithless goes his way, for he
Is blind of soul, and cannot see!

-John Kendrick Bangs

The Extravagance of God

More sky than man can see,
More seas that he can sail,
More sun than he can bear to watch,
More stars than he can scale.

More breath than he can breathe,
More yield than he can sow,
More grace than he can comprehend,
More love than he can know.

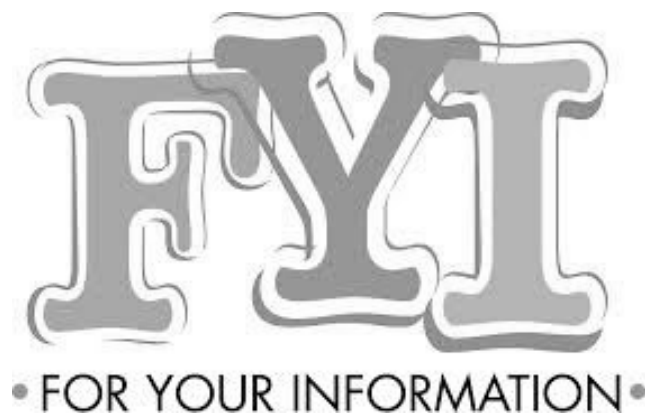
..... Ralph W. Seager

Community of Care

The Creighton Community of Care will be the hands and feet of Christ and respond to needs in the Creighton area, guided by Matthew 25:35-40.

Our next scheduled meeting will be September 20th at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, or possibly online. If you know of any needs that we need to be looking at, or wish to volunteer, please contact any of the churches in Creighton.

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Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Bible Study	12:30 p.m.
Wednesday evening fireside chat on Facebook®	7:00 p.m.

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Adult Bible Studies for Life

Elijah: Living Outside the Comfort Zone

August 1: Serve with Trust (1 Kings 17:7-16)
August 8: Serve Through Prayer (1 Kings 17:17-24)
August 15: Serve with Loyalty (1 Kings 18:20-26,36-39)
August 22: Serve Even When Discouraged (1 Kings 19:1-5a,11-18)
August 29: Lead Others to Serve (1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:6-14)

Youth Bible Studies for Life

Elijah

August 1: Serve with Trust (1 Kings 17:7-16)
August 8: Serve Through Prayer (1 Kings 17:17-24)
August 15: Serve with Loyalty (1 Kings 18:20-26,31-39)
August 22: Serve Even When Discouraged (1 Kings 19:1-5a,11-18)
August 29: Lead Others to Serve (1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:6-14)

Children Bible Studies for Life

God is in Control

August 1: God Sent Ten Plagues (Exodus 7:1-12:31)
August 8: David Faced Goliath (1 Samuel 17:1-50)
August 15: A Widow's Oil Multiplied (2 Kings 4:1-7)
August 22: Three Men Delivered from the Fiery Furnace (Daniel 3)
August 29: God Judged Belshazzar (Daniel 5)

Preschool Bible Studies for Life

God Loves and Helps People

August 1: the Israelites Crossed the Red Sea (Exodus 14)
August 8: David Faced Goliath (1 Samuel 17:1-50)
August 15: A Widow's Oil Multiplied (2 Kings 4:1-7)
August 22: Three Men Delivered from the Fiery Furnace (Daniel 3)
August 29: God Healed Naaman (2 Kings 5:1-16)

A NOTE FROM THE VBS DIRECTOR:

It has been a blessing to be a part of Vacation Bible School this year! Our theme was "Destination Dig." We began with Youth and Adult Bible School to help train us as we prepared for Children's Bible School. We averaged around 20 each night. We began with dinner. After training and learning our Bible School material, we were prepared and ready to teach Bible School. We had some young people take lead rolls and do an excellent job! A great big thank you to each of you! We had a few families from the area come and take part with their kids which was exciting. We had a couple parents who came as kids themselves bring their kids to Bible School! It was exciting to see some of our past kids be parents and bring their kids to Bible School.

Our VBS motto this year was Seek Truth! Find Jesus!
Our theme scripture was Jeremiah 29:13 "And ye shall seek me, and find me, when you search for me with all your heart.

We travelled from one dig site to another. We began each day at the worship rally site, singing praises. Theme song, "Destination Dig"; Jeremiah 29:13, Day 1 song; "Christmas Song in Summer", Isaiah 9:6a. Day 2 song; Strong and Mighty; John 9:33. Day 3 song; "Dig It"; Matthew 20:28; Day 4 song, "You Are My Life" John 11:25; and Day 5 "It's True" Romans 1:16. The songs sung each day focused on the Bible Verse for the day.

Crafts; Day 1 we made a Bible Scroll to use on our Christmas trees this year with the verse "For a child is born unto us". Day 2 We made an eye glass carrier, to put treasures in. Day 3 We began working on our tie-dye shirts. Seek Truth! Find Jesus! Day 4 Picture Frames, Memory keepsake and can be used on your refrigerator as a magnet or hang on your Christmas tree once again. and Day 5 we made chariots.

Bible: Day 1 Jesus Came as God Promised, "Jesus Was Born." Day 2 "Jesus Demonstrated God's Power", "Jesus Healed a Blind Man. Day 3 "Jesus was Betrayed and Rejected.", "Jesus Experienced Betrayal and Rejection." Day 4 "Jesus Died and Rose Again", " Jesus Is Alive." and Day 5 "The Bible is True", "Philip Told the Good News."

Missions: Our offering went to Kamp Keirsey to supply Bibles for the different camps to support our very own missionary John Manning and to help the upkeep of Kamp Keirsey.

We had great help for recreation for the kids and I believe all the kids had a fun time. Highlights for recreation was the water balloons and the bounce house. After playing we had snacks. Snacks were furnished in the morning for a grab and go breakfast and then again after recreation. Thank you for those who provided snacks for students and helpers.

I am finishing writing this as we just finished having a wonderful turn out for Family Night! The kids did an awesome job singing praises to our Lord and doing the actions. A great big thank you to everyone who came and supported their kids in Bible School. We had around 60 in attendance.

A great big thank you to all who participated and helped in Bible School This Year! Our next year's theme is going to be "SPARK STUDIOS" Created in Christ Designed for God's Purpose. Ephesians 2:10 "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for Good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do." Created! Designed! Empowered!

Your Vacation Bible School Director,

Janet West

See You Next Year!



Lemony Vegetable Quinoa Salad

- 2 cups cooked quinoa, cooled
- 15-ounce can garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained
- 2 sweet bell peppers, diced small
- 1/2 cup fresh corn kernels
- 1/2 cup fresh or frozen (defrosted) peas
- 2 green onions, white and light green parts, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons fresh basil, cut into chiffonade

Combine quinoa, garbanzo beans, bell peppers, corn, peas, and green onions in a large serving bowl, and toss to combine. In a small bowl, whisk together oil, lemon juice, and basil. Pour dressing over salad, and toss well. Refrigerate for at least an hour before serving. Serve as is or over fresh spinach. Serves 6-8.

Pork Chops with Peach Barbecue Sauce

- 4 large, bone-in pork chops
- 1 sweet onion, chopped finely
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 teaspoon minced ginger
- 1-1/2 cups ketchup
- 1/2 cup peach preserves
- 2 large peaches, peeled, pitted, and diced
- 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- Salt and pepper

Season chops with salt and pepper. Set aside. In a medium saucepan, sauté onion in oil over medium heat until transparent. Add garlic and ginger, and cook for a minute. Add ketchup, preserves, and peaches. Reduce heat to low, and cook 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add vinegar and salt and pepper to taste. Put half the peach mixture into a separate bowl. Grill pork chops over medium-high heat, basting with the sauce. Cook until pork reaches an internal temperature of 145 degrees F, then let sit for 10 minutes. Serve with remaining sauce. Serves 4.



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