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# **SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025**

9:00am PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: Footsteps of Jesus #416; Where He Leads I'll Follow #417; O Listen to the Wondrous Story #496; Tell Me the Story of Jesus #387; I Am a Sheep #533

9:30am WORSHIP

#### THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS COME NEAR TO YOU

Welcome & Invitation to Worship – Ben Fike

Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down #153

He Leadeth Me #410

Holy Ground #100

Holy Ground #101

Prayer – Karon Johnson

#### THE WAY WE GO

Children's Moment – Laura Fike

Ancient Words

Jeremiah 29:4-7 & Acts 13:44-52 – Phil Sweigart

Sermon – Ben Fike

"The Way We God" (Luke 10:1-12)

Step by Step #15

#### **EAT WHAT IS SET BEFORE YOU**

Family Prayer – Charles Holton

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross #383

Responsive Reading of Psalm 85

Communion Meditation – Laura Rash

The Lord's Prayer

#### GO AS LAMBS, BEARING THE KINGDOM

Anywhere with Jesus #414
Benediction – Ben Fike

### Song Leader – Rebecca Klingaman

\*Children and volunteers will leave worship following communion.

## **Responsive Reading of Psalm 85 (NIRV)**

All: Lord, show us your faithful love. Save us.

One: Lord, you were good to your land.

You blessed the people of Jacob with great success again.

You forgave the evil things your people did.

You took away all their sins.

You stopped being angry with them.

You turned your great anger away from them.

All: Lord, show us your faithful love. Save us.

One: God our Savior, make us new again.

Stop being unhappy with us.

Will you be angry with us forever?

Will you be angry for all time to come?

Won't you give us new life again?

Then we'll be joyful because of what you have done.

All: Lord, show us your faithful love. Save us.

One: I will listen to what God the Lord says.

He promises peace to his faithful people.

But they must not turn to foolish ways.

I know he's ready to save those who have respect for him.

Then his glory can be seen in our land.

All: Lord, show us your faithful love. Save us.

One: God's truth and faithful love join together.

His peace and holiness kiss each other.

His truth springs up from the earth.

His holiness looks down from heaven.

All: Lord, show us your faithful love. Save us.

One: The Lord will certainly give what is good.

Our land will produce its crops.

God's holiness leads the way in front of him.

It prepares the way for his coming.

All: Lord, show us your faithful love. Save us.

## **SUNDAY**

**9:30 Nursery During Worship** Care for children under age 3 is available in the Nursery/Tot Room in the Worship Center

11:00 Classes

#### Children

Age 3 and Under – Nursery/Tot Room in Worship Center

Age 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Kids Praise Classroom (downstairs)

Ripples: Meeting Jesus by the Water We're discovering how Jesus brings peace, power, and love into ordinary (and some not-so-ordinary) moments. Through storytelling, play, and prayer, children age 4 through rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders are learning to see the presence of Jesus flowing in their own lives and to create "ripple effects" of his love and teaching everywhere they go.

**Youth** Rising 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade in the Teen Room

Currently studying *The Gospel of Mark* 

**Adults** Fellowship Hall

For the next few weeks, we will look at 'What happens after you die'. We will discuss Heaven, Hell, and Judgement. Come with an open heart and mind and your questions!

# **COMING UP / SAVE THE DATE**

**August 26** Families Moving Forward

**August 31** Mark Matson Preaching

**September 7** Life Groups Kick-Off

September 13 Women's Retreat

**September 27** Youth Gathering

## **EVENTS AND GATHERINGS**

**Summer Prayer Group: Listening to Luke 10** Join a Zoom prayer group on Tuesday at 12pm as we pray through Luke 10 using the *Dwelling in the Word* practice. This is a space for spiritual listening, community, and shaping our August sermon series. All are welcome. Interested? Contact Ben to receive the Zoom link and prayer guide. Our next and final Zoom is August 26.

Families Moving Forward We have an opportunity to prepare food and help serve an evening meal for the residents at Families Moving Forward on August 26. FMF provides temporary housing and other assistance for families who are transitioning from homelessness. Click here to volunteer. For more information or if you need help signing up online, contact Phil Sweigart.

**CMR Women's Retreat** All women ages 12 and up are invited on Saturday, September 13, 9:30-2:30. Our theme this year is featuring a panel discussion. Click here to RSVP by August 31. Invite a friend, just make sure they're signed up. Also, Evleyn is collecting

images of "love" for one of the centering tables at the retreat and would greatly appreciate any items you can share. There is a bin marked LOVE PROJECT at the foyer kiosk for love image contributions. Contact Evelyn Cameron with questions.

**Wednesday Nights** Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6pm for BYO dinner and fellowship, followed by discussing and viewing *The Chosen* until mid-September.

**Thursday Bible Study** All are invited to a Bible study held every Thursday at 7am in the church library. Questions? Contact Tim Wood.

#### **FAMILY NEWS**

**Volunteer Scheduler** If you know of Sunday mornings in September that you will not be available, please enter those dates **before August 27** in the <u>online scheduler here</u>, or email <u>Sharon</u> and/or <u>Pam</u>.

**Condolences** Please remember the following and their families in your prayers...

- \*Our hearts are with Jane Campbell, whose sister-in-law, Beverly Mangum Carter, passed away on August 16 in Wilson.
- \*Our sympathy goes out to Pat Daggett, whose ex-husband, Bruce Daggett, passed away on Monday in Florida.

**Prayer Concerns** Paul Watson, Joel Keel, Donna Holladay, Sara Meadows, Wilton DuBois, Branson Brown, Judy Cuffee, Reverdy Ransom, Tim Russell, and those who provide care for them.

**Farewell** Jerry Marzolf is in the process of accepting a pastorate for a congregation in Illinois. There are still a few formalizations to go, but he anticipates his last Sunday with us will be September 14. Please sign the farewell book for him in the foyer.

**Coffee and Tea Fellowship – Join the Fall Rotation** We're bringing back our coffee and tea fellowship between worship and class starting September 21. To make this possible, we need more volunteers for a light rotation (two people, three Sundays a month). If you'd like to help provide this simple but meaningful hospitality, <u>contact Pam</u> in the church office.

**Collecting Shower Supplies** One way we're spreading ripples of love this summer is collecting shower supplies to send with Jane Campbell on her next trip to Honduras. When you're at the store, pick up an extra washcloth, bar of soap, or travel shampoo to add to our children's collection. Our collection box is downstairs in the Kids' Praise Room. You can also give your donations to any children's ministry leader to bring downstairs. We welcome your support of one of our favorite children's ministry volunteers!

Jesus Sightings Wall As part of our Ripples series, our children have invited the congregation to join them in creating a wall of "Jesus Sightings". Wherever you see Jesus, you can write or draw your "sightings" on one of the droplets found on the foyer round table or the tables with communion supplies. You can write a paragraph, a sentence, or just one word. Droplets can be left on the tables, pews, or given to Laura Fike. Take a look at the foyer wall filled with sightings of Jesus' welcoming, healing, calming, loving work! And if you're having trouble finding Jesus, look for water, because when we see water, we remember Jesus is near!

**Elder-on-Call (Sunday-Saturday)** Contact Charles Holton with any concerns, need for prayer, or other ways the elders can provide support and care.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries** (through next Saturday)

Friday 8/22: Wayne & Janice Massey Monday 8/25: Landon Klingaman

Thursday 8/28: Carl & Donna Holladay Saturday 8/30: Isaac & Emma Davis



1 Corinthians 13
Featuring a Panel Discussion

September 13, 2025 9:30am — 2:30pm

RSVP by August 31, 2025

Scan the QR code or visit the link below to RSVP

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