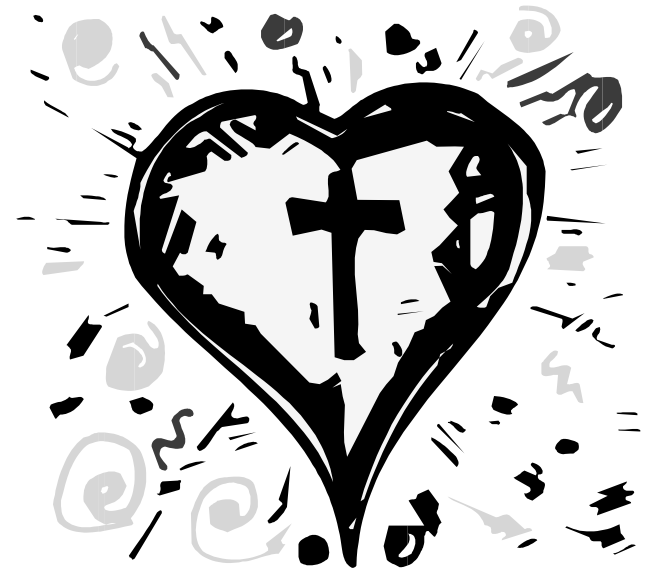




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Newsletter



“Communicating the Love of Jesus”

Traditional Worship : 8:00 a.m.
Christian Growth Hour: 9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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Please Note...

July and August Newsletters are combined this month.

You'll find calendars for each month, as well as a prayer calendar and devotional readings for each month.



questions for pastor...

"Why do we have to do this?"

"This" could refer to just about anything. But here, "this" refers to "taking time to worship God on Sunday."

It's a good question. An honest question. A question that came at a time the questioner didn't feel like doing "this." Chances are good that this is a question you've also asked - if not out loud, then certainly somewhere in the back of your mind. It's a question you've asked when you didn't feel like going to worship that day. And chances are pretty good that you have also *answered* the question - at least unconsciously - with an "I *don't* have to do this, because..." (Fill in your own favorite excuse).

So, why *should* we gather together to worship God on a weekly basis?

("Together" is a key word. It is true that we can worship God individually in all that we do, when we do things with God in mind. But God has instructed us to worship "together" one day out of every seven. As He reminds us in Hebrews 10:25

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Why do we have to do this? As simply-put as possible: Because God said we should.

Remember the third commandment? That one about the

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July discipleship verse...

You were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.

Galatians 5:13



August discipleship verse...

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Romans 15:4

opportunities for growth...

"Questions and Answers about Prayer"

Sundays at 9:30

Bible Readings for the Week

See July and August Reading List elsewhere in this newsletter

"Prayer & Spiritual Warfare"

Monday @ 11:00 (women's group study)
@ Church.

The Book of Zephaniah:

"God speaks to the sin of complacency"
Tuesdays 12:15 @ Glen Oaks apartments
(Prayer time from noon - 12:15)

Youth Group - The "Igniters" - Meet Wednesdays @ 7:00 @ Church

What do Missouri Synod Lutherans Believe ?

Pastor is planning a class on the basics of our faith. This class also serves as the instruction class for those interested in membership.

Please talk to Pastor David if you are interested





Make a Difference in a Child's Life...

Foster / Adoptive parents in Kandiyohi County are *urgently needed*. There continues to be a shortage of quality homes. Foster Families provide emergency and temporary care. Adoptive Families are permanent families who love, nurture, and care for children for a lifetime. **Are you willing to make a difference?** Please contact:

Kandiyohi Co Family Services
Deb Wieland 320-231-7847
Tina Mages 320-231-7822

simple ways to share your faith...

**At the Kandiyohi County fair,
August 10th to the 13th**

Along with folks from Redeemer we'll be sharing the love of Christ in practical ways by giving away Bibles, booklets (like the ones in our booklet rack at church); family devotion books and other Christian books for adults; as well as lots of special giveaways for the children.

If you can sign up to sit at the booth for a two-hour shift, it's a simple way to share your faith.



To everyone who helped with Living Word's 4th of July Armed Forces Commemoration booth at the Spicer

4th of July Festival to remember all those who are serving in our Armed Forces.

Sabbath Day? God designed us to need one day out of every seven to take time out from work to rest and to "recharge our spiritual batteries" by gathering together for worship. It seems we don't have too much trouble with the "taking time out from work" part. It's the "taking time out for worship" part of the Sabbath commandment that seems difficult.

Maybe it helps to hear what God promises for taking time out to worship Him:

"If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day, if you call the Sabbath a delight and the Lord's holy day honorable, and if you honor it by not going your own way and not doing as you please or speaking idle words, [14] then you will find your joy in the Lord, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob." The mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Isaiah 58:13-14

God tells us to take time out to worship him each week, because LIFE GOES BETTER WHEN WE DO. He promises that we will find true joy when we do - joy that lasts. He promises great blessings.

So, "Why do we have to do this?" NOT to earn special "brownie points" with God. (Jesus earned for us all the "brownie points" we ever need when he died for us).

We do it out of gratitude for God and all that He's given and done for us (especially what He did on the cross). We do it because He told us to. We do it because God designed life to simply "go better" when we do.

As I said to someone recently, "Think of it this way: What if you *couldn't* get together with other believers and worship God? What if it was not allowed in our country? 'Do I *have* to?' would probably change to 'I long for the days when I *got* to.'"

So, the next time that question pops up in the back of your mind, maybe it will help to change one little word: Change "I *have* to," to "I *get* to." You are the one who benefits when you take time for worship. God promised.

Thanks for asking,
Pastor David

Confirmation retreat...

August 23 - 24

For students entering 7, 8th and 9th Grade:

Our annual Confirmation Kickoff Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp will be Tuesday, August 23 - Wednesday August 24. We plan on leaving church at noon on the 23rd (so eat lunch before we go) and returning home by about 8:00 on the 24th. Watch your mail for more details. Or just talk to Pastor Dave



TONY WAS COMING UP AGAINST SOME RELUCTANCE RECRUITING HELPERS FOR THE CHILDRENS MINISTRY



A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question. "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?"

A hand shot up in the air.

"He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy.

"Really?! How do you know?" the teacher asked.

"You know - 'Our Father, who does art in Heaven. . ."

With Liberty - - Which is Freedom; the right of power to live one's own life, without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

And Justice - - The principle, or qualities, of dealing fairly with others.

For All - - For All--which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

And now, boys and girls, let me hear you recite the Pledge of Allegiance:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic, for which it stands; one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country, and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance: Under God. Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said that is a prayer, and that would be eliminated from schools, too?

Red Skelton

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS; ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

commentary on the pledge of allegiance

by Red Skelton

As a schoolboy, one of Red Skelton's teachers explained the words and meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance to his class. Skelton later wrote down, and eventually recorded, his recollection of this lecture. It is followed by an observation of his own.

I - - Me; an individual; a committee of one.

Pledge - - Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

Allegiance - - My love and my devotion.

To the Flag - - Our standard; Old Glory ; a symbol of Freedom; wherever she waves there is respect, because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts, Freedom is everybody's job.

United - - That means that we have all come together.

States - - Individual communities that have united into forty-eight great states. Forty-eight individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose. All divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that is love for country.

And to the Republic - - Republic--a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people; and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands

One Nation - - One Nation--meaning, so blessed by God.

Indivisible - - Incapable of being divided.

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opportunities to “share the love of Jesus in practical ways” ...



**Mission and Ministry Team Planning Night
August 18.**

Find out the details at the MMT meeting on July 20.

sonshine music festival...

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What: Christian Music Festival with...

- + Audio Adrenaline
- + Skillet
- + Newsboys
- + Thousand Foot Krutch
- + Lucerin Blue
- + Sarah Kelly

When: Thursday, July 14

Meet at church at 11:00 a.m.

Chaperones will bring kids home around midnight

Where: Civic Center in Willmar

Who is it for: Youth (7-12) and Friends

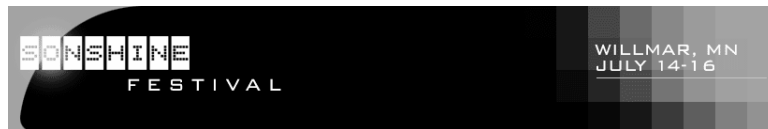
Cost: \$20/person **

What to bring: Money for food and souvenirs
Sunscreen
Lawn Chair
Blanket

What not to bring: Immodest clothes or swimsuits.

Contact: Ryan or Shelli Block @ 354-2594

** Cost is normally \$39 for the day, but money from the Youth Fund will reduce each person's cost to \$20.



Check it out online at
<http://www.sonshinefestival.com>

building sale update...

We have a purchase agreement on our building in New London. The closing date is July 22. Please pray that the sale would be finalized on that date.

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... Take your questions (even your complaints) to God.
... Wait around for God's answer.
... Then trust that God does have your best interest in mind and that He really is in control.

Out of town on the weekend ? Work on Sunday?

Remember our **Monday Evening Service**

The 7:00pm Monday Service is an informal, come-as-you-are worship time. So, if you can't attend on Sunday, come as you are on Monday - and bring a friend! August 29 will be our last Monday Service for the season.

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IF GOD CAN'T DIE, THEN WHY ARE WE SO WORRIED ABOUT IF HIS WILL IS DONE?

Lessons from Bible Guys: Habakkuk

Have you ever been in a situation where you just didn't understand what God was doing or why He was allowing something to happen?

Sure you have. So did Habakkuk.

He sets us the example of what to do in that situation: Take your questions and complaints to God.

But don't just question and complain and leave it at that. After Habakkuk questioned and complained, he waited for God to answer. God did. And the answer wasn't one that Habakkuk wanted to hear, so he questioned and complained some more. And waited again for God to answer. And, again, God answered and revealed to Habakkuk the reason for His answer.

After this question ^{10.5}

and answer sequence, Habakkuk ends up with one of the greatest statements of trust in God that you'll find in the Bible

(Habakkuk 3:17-19)

*Though the fig tree does not bud
and there are no grapes on the vines,
though the olive crop fails
and the fields produce no food,
though there are no sheep in the pen
and no cattle in the stalls,
[18] yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will be joyful in God my Savior.
[19] The Sovereign Lord is my strength;
he makes my feet like the feet of a deer,
he enables me to go on the heights.*

When you have a situation you don't understand....

... Talk to God about it.

"Old Testament Characters"

Jesus told his disciples in His Sermon on the Mount that He did not come to replace what was written in the Old Testament. He also told them that by no means should they ignore the Old Testament. The apostle Paul adds that the Old Testament Scriptures were written to teach us, encourage us, give us hope and warn us (so that we don't repeat the sins of the people written about in the OT). With that in mind we are spending the summer looking at some of the characters of the Old Testament to see what God would have us learn from them.

Some of them you didn't learn about in Sunday School. Others were "characters" in the fullest sense. Others are "unsung heroes." But all of them are included in God's Word to teach us and point us to the coming of God's Son.

Lessons we've already learned:

From Balaam: When you are heading in a direction God doesn't approve of, He will put a "donkey" in your way to warn you. For Balaam it was literally a donkey that spoke to him. For us the "donkey" might be your conscience, another person, a situation, or God's word. The key is to listen and heed the warning.

From Eli: Bad things happen when you don't discipline your kids. Allowing your children to suffer the consequences of their sins is actually a way of showing your love for them. But when we discipline, we must remember not to make the consequences greater than the offense.

From Hannah: When someone is "out to get you" don't seek revenge. Seek God. Put the matter into His hands. And when you make a vow to God - keep it (but you shouldn't try to bargain with God in prayer - promising to do something that you should already be doing).

From Nehemiah: Freedom to worship is worth fighting for. But don't depend on your might, depend on your God. Independence from foreign rule without dependence on God is worse than worthless.

Upcoming Characters:

Boaz Abigail Jehosaphat Josiah

July prayer calendar

Pray for these things for the person or family listed each week

July 3 This week pray for these things for our Living Word family	4 Thank God for our members who have served in the Armed Forces to keep us free	5 Thank God for all who helped make this year's YBS a great success	6 Thank God for all who helped make our July 4 th display a success	7 Thank God for the purchase agreement we have on our building in New London	8 Pray for the sale of the building to be finalized at closing on July 22	9 Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus
10 This week pray for these things for Marion Dilley	11 Pray for recovery from surgery for neighbor Jim Taylor	12 Pray for timely rains for the growing season	13 Pray for those injured in London bombing - and families of those killed	14 Pray for Melissa to be able to come home soon from Nashville	15 Pray for God's guidance and strength for all my kids and grandkids	16 Thank God for my health and ability to do my gardening and fishing
17 This week pray for these things for Tri family Brian, Rachel, Matthew & Gennaveve	18 Thank God for bringing us back to Him	19 Thank God for all the opportunities He's given us this summer	20 Thank God for our family	21 Thank God for guiding us here and for everyone we've met since being here	22 Pray for safety for everyone this summer	23 Pray for God's guidance for our decisions
24 This week pray for these things for the Gulden family ; Orville & Carol	25 Pray for our son-in-law David Schultz	26 Thank God for healing our grandson Ryan after his fall	27 Pray for more people to take advantage of our Senior Center	28 Pray for strength and guidance for our daughter Diane	29 Thank God for Orville's upcoming 80 th birthday	30 Pray for healing for Gordon Christenson and Betty Schmittz
31 This week pray for these things for the Remner family ; Tim, Audrey & Aaron	Aug 1 Thank God for our health and all the other blessings we have	Aug 2 Thank God for the physical healing of Tim's uncle Jerry	Aug 3 Pray for Tim's uncle Jerry to get motivated for his job	Aug 4 Pray for time to get our remodeling project completed	Aug 5 Pray for a successful C-section delivery for Audrey on August 8	Aug 6 Pray for a healthy baby

night.

And so goes his world of daily rituals and weekend field trips. He doesn't know what it means to be discontent. His life is simple. He will never know the entanglements of wealth or power, and he does not care what brand of clothing he wears or what kind of food he eats. His needs have always been met, and he never worries that one day they may not be. His hands are diligent. Kevin is never so happy as when he is working. When he unloads the dishwasher or vacuums the carpet, his heart is completely in it. He does not shrink from a job when it is begun, and he does not leave a job until it is finished. But when his tasks are done, Kevin knows how to relax. He is not obsessed with his work or the work of others. His heart is pure. He still believes everyone tells the truth, promises must be kept, and when you are wrong, you apologize instead of argue. Free from pride and unconcerned with appearances, Kevin is not afraid to cry when he is hurt, angry or sorry.

He is always transparent, always sincere. And he trusts God. Not confined by intellectual reasoning, when he comes to Christ, he comes as a child. Kevin seems to know God - to really be friends with Him in a way that is difficult for an "educated" person to grasp. God seems like his closest companion. In my moments of doubt and frustrations with my Christianity, I envy the security Kevin has in his simple faith. It is then that I am most willing to admit that he has some divine knowledge that rises above my mortal questions. It is then I realize that perhaps he is not the one with the handicap - I am. My obligations, my fear, my pride, my circumstances - they all! become disabilities when I do not trust them to God's care. Who knows if Kevin comprehends things I can never learn? After all, he has spent his whole life in that kind of innocence, praying after dark and soaking up the goodness and love of God.

And one day, when the mysteries of heaven are opened, and we are all amazed at how close God really is to our hearts, I'll realize that God heard the simple prayers of a boy who believed that God lived under his bed. Kevin won't be surprised at all!

a story to think about...

What a different (better) world we'd have if we were all like Kevin...

(From an email forward)

I envy Kevin. My brother Kevin thinks God lives under his bed. At least that's what I heard him say one night. He was praying out loud in his dark bedroom, and I stopped outside his closed door to listen. "Are you there, God?" he said. "Where are you? Oh, I see. Under the bed." I giggled softly and tiptoed off to my own room.

Kevin's unique perspectives are often a source of amusement. But that night something else lingered long after the humor. I realized for the first time the very different world Kevin lives in. He was born 30 years ago, mentally disabled as a result of difficulties during labor. Apart from his size (6-foot-2), there are few ways in which he is an adult. He reasons and communicates with the capabilities of a 7-year-old, and he always will. He will probably always believe that God lives under his bed, that Santa Claus is the one who fills the space under our tree every Christmas and that airplanes stay up in the sky because angels carry them.

I remember wondering if Kevin realizes he is different. Is he ever dissatisfied with his monotonous life? Up before dawn each day, off to work at a workshop for the disabled, home to walk our cocker spaniel, return to eat his favorite macaroni-and-cheese for dinner, and later to bed. The only variation in the entire scheme are laundry, when he hovers excitedly over the washing machine like a mother with her newborn child. He does not seem dissatisfied. He lopes out to the bus every morning at 7:05, eager for a day of simple work. He wrings his hands excitedly while the water boils on the stove before dinner, and he stays up late twice a week to gather our dirty laundry for his next day's laundry chores. And Saturdays-oh, the bliss of Saturdays! That's the day my Dad takes Kevin to the airport to have a soft drink, watch the planes land, and speculate loudly on the destination of each passenger inside. "That one's goin' to Chi-car-go!" Kevin shouts as he claps his hands. His anticipation is so great he can hardly sleep on Friday

July 5-minutes-a-day devotional readings

This Month's Readings: selected readings from the Apostle Paul's letters

(Use the lines to record the important insights in that reading)

July 3 Galatians 5:16-21 _____

July 4 Galatians 5:22-26 _____

July 5 Galatians 6:7-10 _____

July 6 Ephesians 1:17-23 _____

July 7 Ephesians 2:1-5 _____

July 8 Ephesians 2:8-10 _____

July 9 Ephesians 3:14-21 _____

July 10 Ephesians 4:1-6 _____

July 11 Ephesians 4:11-16 _____

July 12 Ephesians 4:22-5:2 _____

July 13 Ephesians 5:3-11 _____

July 14 Ephesians 5:15-21 _____

July 15 Ephesians 5:22-33 _____

July 16 Ephesians 6:1-4 _____

July 17 Ephesians 6:10-19 _____

July 18 Philippians 1:3-6, 9-11 _____

July 19 Philippians 1:15-18 _____

July 20 Philippians 2:1-4 _____

July 21 Philippians 2:5-11 _____

July 22 Philippians 2:12-14 _____

July 23 Philippians 3:7-11 _____

July 24 Philippians 3:12-14 _____

July 25 Philippians 3:20-4:1 _____

July 26 Philippians 4:4-7 _____

July 27 Philippians 4:8-9 _____

July 28 Philippians 4:10-13, 19 _____

July 29 Colossians 1:9-14 _____

July 30 Colossians 1:15-23 _____

July 31 Colossians 2:6-10 _____

Aug 1 Colossians 3:1-10 _____

Aug 2 Colossians 3:12-17 _____

Important Insights from the readings:

July Living Word Lutheran Church - Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3</p> <p>8:00 - Traditional Worship w/ Lord's Supper</p> <p>9:15 - Bible Study Questions and Answers about Prayer</p> <p>10:30 - Contemporary Worship w/ Lord's Supper</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:00 - 7:00 Spicer July 4th Youth Fundraiser & Salute to our Armed Forces</p> <p>7:00 Monday Worship</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:00 - "Ignite"</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:00 - Elders Team</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Volunteers visit Glen Oaks</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>10</p> <p>8:00 - Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:15 - Bible Study - Questions and Answers about Prayer</p> <p>10:30 - Contemporary Worship</p> <p>1:30 - Glen Oaks Worship</p>	<p>11</p> <p>11:00 Women's Prayer Study @ Church</p> <p>7:00 Monday Worship</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Noon - Prayer</p> <p>12:15 - Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:00 - "Ignite"</p>	<p>I C O U N T Y F A I R O U T R E A C H</p>		
<p>17</p> <p>8:00 - Traditional Worship w/ Lord's Supper</p> <p>9:15 - Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 - Contemporary Worship w/ Lord's Supper</p>	<p>18</p> <p>11:00 Women's Prayer Study @ Church</p> <p>7:00 Monday Worship</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Noon - Prayer</p> <p>12:15 - Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:00 - "Ignite"</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:00 - Mission & Ministry Team SPECIAL PLANNING MEETING</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Volunteers visit Glen Oaks</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>24</p> <p>8:00 Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:15 - Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 - Contemporary Worship</p>	<p>25</p> <p>11:00 Women's Prayer Study @ church</p> <p>7:00 Monday Worship</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Noon - Prayer</p> <p>12:15 - Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>7:00 - "Ignite"</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Volunteers visit Glen Oaks</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>31</p> <p>8:00 Traditional Worship "Youth Sunday"</p> <p>9:15 - Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 - Contemporary Worship "Youth Sunday"</p>	<p>Aug 1</p> <p>7:00 Monday Worship</p>	<p>Aug 2</p>	<p>h</p>	<p>USHERS: 8:00 Troy Hansen 10:30 Chuck Weffen</p> <p>GREETERS: 8:00 Jim & Janet Towner 10:30 Walt Flickinger</p>	<p>CHILDREN'S CHURCH Tris Mische - 7, 14 Violet Dauk - 21, 28</p>	<p>ELDERS: 8:00 Wally Abraham Kevin Welsh 10:30 Ron Wothe</p>

August Living Word Lutheran Church - calendar of events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Aug 1 7:00 Monday Worship	2 Noon - Prayer 12:15 Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts.	3 7:00 - "Igniters" You	7 4:00 - Sunday School Team 6:00 - Elders Team	8 Volunteers visit Glen Oaks	9
7 8:00 - Traditional Worship w/ L.S. 9:15 - Bible Study 10:30 - Contemporary Worship w/ Lord's Supper	8 7:00 Monday Worship	9 Noon - Prayer 12:15 Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts.	10 7:00 - "Igniters" You K A N D I Y O H	14 11:00 - midnight Youth @ SonShine	15 Volunteers visit Glen Oaks	16
14 8:00 - Traditional Worship 9:15 - Bible Study 10:30 - Contemporary Worship	15 11:00 Women's Study @ Church 7:00 Monday Worship	16 Noon - Prayer 12:15 - Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts.	17 7:00 - "Igniters" You	21 7:30 - Mission & Ministry Team	22 Volunteers visit Glen Oaks	23 Wedding Joe Hansen & Karen Maurice @ Fairmont. MN
21 8:00 - Traditional Worship w/ L.S. 9:15 - Bible Study 10:30 - Contemporary Worship w/ Lord's Supper	22 11:00 Women's Study @ church 7:00 Monday Worship	23 Noon - Prayer 12:15 - Bible Study @ Glen Oaks Apts. Confirmation Retreat Leave at noon	24 Confirmation Retreat Return at 8:00 p.m.	28 8:00 Troy Hansen Randy Nissen 10:30 Chuck Weffen	29 Volunteers visit Glen Oaks	30
28 8:00 Traditional Worship 9:15 - Bible Study 10:30 - Contemporary Worship	29 7:00 Monday Worship (Last one of the season)	30	31 7:00 "Igniters" You	USHERS: 8:00 Troy Hansen Randy Nissen 10:30 Chuck Weffen GREETERS: 8:00 Jim & Janet Towner 10:30 Walt Flickinger	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Tris Mische - 10, 24 Violet Dauk - 3, 17	ELDERS: 8:00 Wally Abraham Duane Hansen 10:30 Ron Wothe

August Prayer Calendar

Pray for these things for the person or family listed each week

31	Aug 1	Aug 2	Aug 3	Aug 4	Aug 5	Aug 6
This week pray for these things for the <u>Renner family</u> : Jim, Audrey & Aaron	Thank God for our health and all the other blessings we have	Thank God for the physical healing of Tim's uncle Jerry	Pray for Tim's uncle Jerry to get motivated for his rehab.	Pray for time to get our remodeling project completed	Pray for a successful C-section delivery for Audrey on Aug. 8	Pray for a healthy baby
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
This week pray for these things for the <u>Towners</u> - Jim & Janet	Pray for Jim's friends Leon Holt and Peter Verdun	Pray for Christine Johnson, daughter <u>Kimie</u> and parents and family	Pray for Jim and Linda to get their house built and stay healthy	Pray for good health for Jim and Janet	Thank God for all the kids and youth that help Jim out	Pray for Ron Towner, Diane, Carrie, Lyle Bren, Nicholas and his dad
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
This week pray for these things for our <u>Living Word</u> family	Pray for a safe, fun time of growing for the confirmation retreat next week	Thank God for the school building	Thank God for the freedom to worship Him	Pray for the Spirit's guidance at our planning meeting tonight	Ask God to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as we seek to make disciples	Pray for the Spirit's power to be the best witnesses for Jesus
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
This week pray for these things for the <u>St. Clairs</u> - Andy, Alicia, Penny,	Pray for doctors to find a medication to help Penny's arthritis	Pray for Lisa to get her driver's license	Pray for Lisa's dad for restored health and finances	Pray for career and family guidance for Lee	Thanks for Andy's cancer being in remission	Pray for Raina to be open to God's work in her life and be able to be drug-free
28	29	30	31	Sep 1	Sep 2	Sep 3
This week pray for these things for the <u>Geers</u> Tim, Shan, Mari, David, Mikayla and Gracie	Pray for a good transition from summer to school	Safety for <u>Mikayla</u> @ Spanish camp	Thanks for Tim's mom's 70 th birthday	Healing for family members who have cancer	God's help to get home improvements completed before winter	Guidance for <u>Shari</u> on schooling decisions Healing for Grace's hearing

Aug 5-minutes-a-day devotional readings

This Month's Readings: selected readings from the Apostle Paul's letters

(Use the lines to record the important insights in that reading)

Aug 1	<u>Colossians</u> 3:1-10 _____
Aug 2	<u>Colossians</u> 3:12-17 _____
Aug 3	<u>Colossians</u> 3:18-4:1 _____
Aug 4	<u>Colossians</u> 4:2-6 _____
Aug 5	1 <u>Thessalonians</u> 1:2-6 _____
Aug 6	1 <u>Thessalonians</u> 2:11-13 _____
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