



Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church

Worship service—9:00 am
Sunday School—10:15 am

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Pastor's Pen

At a recent Tuesday Bible study (7pm—all are welcome), we looked at a passage in Mark 5. Jesus had healed a man possessed with a legion of demons and the man's response was to desire to come, follow and be with Jesus. But, Jesus would not allow the man to come but said, "Go home to your friends and tell them what great things the LORD has done for you and how He had compassion upon you." (Mark 5:19).

All of us, if we have walked with Jesus very long and if we have prayed many prayers, have seen Him do great things for us. Certainly, our first response ought to be to bow before Him in thanksgiving, acknowledging what He has done for us. When we recognize that He has answered prayer and give thanks, it both builds our faith and gives Him glory. But beyond that, if we are to follow the example of this one in Mark 5, we are to tell our friends the great thing that the LORD has done for us. When we tell others about how and when God has protected, provided, led, healed or whatever else He has done, it encourages our friends and family to look to Jesus to meet their needs.

Take a few moments and prayerfully review your life. When have you seen God do something special to meet a need? Think about what was happening and why you felt incapable to handling life on your own. Think about how it felt to see God help you. Take time to remember and thank Him for His faithful care—thanksgiving will build your faith. Then ask Him to give you an opportunity to share with someone else 'the great thing He has done in your life.' Look for the opportunity or opportunities that He will give you to glorify Him.

Sometimes we might feel awkward if we are not used to talking about what God does in our lives. But you can begin the conversation by saying, "Did I ever tell you about the time God answered my prayer?" I am certain that He not only wants to do things for you, because He loves and cares for you, but that He desires you to tell others so that they might be encouraged to look to Him in time of need. Blessings.

Becoming

the Middle School Youth Group

Although it is summer, we all know how quickly the time will pass. I am convinced that God moves as His people pray ("You have not because you ask not, you ask and receive not because you are asking selfishly." James 4:2-3) Over the summer months, we want to put together a ministry team for the Middle School. The team must first have a group who are committed to pray for the students, the parents and the leaders. In addition to those that pray we need: food providers, teachers and those that facilitate activities and games. We will be contacting those that have helped in the past, but we are always looking for more to join our team. Will you pray and ask the Lord what He would have you to do to minister and make a difference in the lives of the Middle School teens? Let Pastor Steve know if God is putting this ministry on your heart, 319-640-7009 or email ecmc.steve@gmail.com.

Also, pray for the planning and connecting with the teens for the coming year. We had an amazing year last year (20-25 Middle Schoolers) but we have graduated some great teens and will be looking to reach out into the 6th grade. Pray for us.

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Please call to share a need, set up an appointment or request a visit.

News From Our Missionaries

Throughout this semester, a recurring challenge was meeting up with those that we saw follow Jesus. It was really discouraging at times, but a good reminder that their spiritual growth is not dependent on us. As Paul said in his first letter to the Corinthians, “I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth” (1 Corinthians 3:6-7). Dan* was one of those students that we’ve only been able to meet a few times since he decided to follow Jesus back in December. Recently, we were able to meet up with him again and were blown away by the evidence of growth in his life. Dan brought one of his friends, Andy*, to the meeting. At the meeting, Dan shared the Gospel with Andy, invited Andy to follow Jesus, and shared his testimony of how following Jesus has changed his life! Andy showed genuine interest in learning more, and they made a plan to begin reading the Bible together. Praise God for His work in and through Dan, and please pray with us for Andy’s eyes to be open to the Truth of God’s Word! As summer begins this next month, we have much to prepare for. We have a short-term group coming for a few days, and we will be casting vision for them to return and join our team. Later in the month, we have a goodbye celebration for a family, as they accepted a new leadership position. They have played a big role in the incredible fruit seen here over the last few years, and we’re sad to see them leave, but excited for what God will do through them in the coming years. At the end of the month, we’ll say goodbye to our team as they travel home for the summer. We’re excited that they will all be back in-country next year, with one of them joining the team in the capital. Please pray for their time back home as they reconnect with family and friends, and that God would provide all that they need to return on time in the Fall. together for His glory, the Dettmans

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.”

Isaiah 55:10-11

Nick & Erica

Vacation Bible School 2019

This year in Jamestown, Vacation Bible School is July 15-18, Monday through Thursday evenings, from 6:30 – 8:50 each evening. Drop-off and pick-up will be at St. Paul’s Evangelical church. Our theme is *TO MARS AND BEYOND! Explore where God’s Power Can Take You!* Our theme verse is “Glory to God who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us.” It comes from Ephesians 3:20. (And we will meet a robot called *EP3-20* whose name helps us remember where our motto comes from.) With God’s Spirit living in us God says we can all use God’s power. When we follow Jesus, we can make the world and ourselves better, more like God wants us all to be. And, of course, there will be Bible stories about God’s work in the world. There will also be games, snacks, science, crafts, and music, and we will enjoy time with our friends. We have good group of grown-ups volunteering to make things work and teach us about God’s power in us. We will take up an offering to help people in Jefferson City who were hurt by the tornadoes and flooding – that is one way we can be part of God’s power to help. So come join us for VBS in Jamestown July 15-18 at 6:30 each evening! Watch your mail and church bulletins for enrollment information! To Mars and Beyond!! See you there!

Who & What We’ve Been Praying For

Heather Sullard

Dettman Family

Norma & Dwayne Wood

John & Bev Ernst (missing them being at church with us)

Jason Wood

Paul & Shirley Baer (celebrating their 70th anniversary)

Jamestown Community Youth Groups

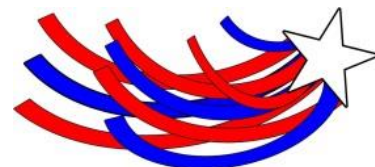


Read: Psalm 1

*A story from Mary Kay
Jesus said to those who have trusted Him, "I
will never leave you nor forsake you."
Hebrews 13:5*

One Sunday noon-ish when Seth was 3 1/2 another little boy (between 5 and 6 at the time) saw Seth looking around the churchyard looking for Mom and Dad, so to be helpful, this little guy told Seth that we had left for home and forgotten him. Seth immediately took off waling and calling for us-running down the middle of the street-which did run straight to the parsonage 3 blocks away! Pretty sure this happened in the unseasonably warm March of that year...and Steph was due any day. I heard Seth...and the little boy surprised to see me there, confessed he had told Seth we went home. What could I do??? I set off at a dead run, in heels, calling Seth's name as I ran down the middle of the street in chase. He was so scared and crying so loud he could not hear me. I finally caught up with him across the street from our home and was able to pick him up, console him and assure him that mama would never, EVER forget him. What a picture that had to have made...and one I'm glad never did get made! This, always in the back of my mind, made the fact that the Petersen's routinely forgot Jessa Rae at church (we just took her home with us and they checked our house first when noticed she was missing) and Dad left sleeping James in the van after a late Easter program at Lincoln Berean all the more humorous to me.

It is good to know that Jesus will
never leave us or forsake us.



Our delight as Christians is in knowing God and walking in His ways – firmly grounded in His word.

It is not the way of the Lord to live in the counsel of the ungodly – following their advice. In other words, we don't listen to what the world says we should do, but we do what God's word says to do. We don't stand in the path where sinners walk. In other words, we don't walk down the path they are walking, coming under their influence. We don't sit down to rest where the scornful and mockers gather – to be seen as like-minded with them.

God's ways are so different to the world's ways. The times we live in today are hard. There is so much the world is telling us that seems all right on the surface – but it's lies masked as truth. We need to pray that God would show us the truth in the midst of it – seeking His counsel in it.

As we continue to live by God's word, we shall be like a tree firmly planted by streams. We shall be nourished and refreshed, always producing fruit in season. God blesses our stand for Him. No matter what the ungodly say or do, as we stand for Jesus and the truth of God's word – we shall be blessed.

MAY BOARD REPORT

The Moniteau Evangelical Advent church board met on May 28, 2019. Present were Pastor Steve, Cindy Wieberg, Beth Fennwald, Just Traub, Dale Taggart and Andrew Rohrbach.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

April report was reviewed and Andy made a motion to approve the minutes. Dale seconded the motion. Vote taken and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Income for April 2019 was \$7,747.32, expenses were \$2,147.40. Total assets were \$70,074.56 (minus Union Pacific stock). Justin made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Andy. Vote taken and passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

The candles in the front of the church were discussed. As they burn the candles can become uneven and/or get very short. A suggestion of purchasing mechanical candles that remain the same height were previously discussed and Andy offered to do some research into options. These options were reviewed along with their prices. Andy made a motion to leave the candles and maintenance as is. Justin seconded the motion and the vote passed.

Daily Bread Magazine order has arrived.

Heating and Cooling system bids are still being collected. One bid has been received and reviewed. This subject was tabled until the next board meeting when additional bids are expected to be available.

NEW BUSINESS:

Several light bulbs in the basement are needing replaced. Current fixtures in the basement were discussed and Dale offered to look into LED bulbs and conversion kits.

Sam's Club membership is up for renewal. After some discussion, Andy made a motion to allow this to expire. Dale seconded and the vote passed.

Summer Fill pricing from AA Propane was quoted at \$1.379. Andy made a motion to go ahead and fill the tank at this price. Justin seconded and the vote passed.

The Sunday service opening announcer for the month of June was decided with Dale being selected board member.

August Ice Cream Family Time was set for August 4th at 11:30 a.m. The Traub family will be hosting.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, June 24th at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dale and seconded by Justin. The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Traub, Secretary



It's almost time for summer Bible camp! The dates for Camp Aurora this year are:

Senior High: July 7-13
Junior High: July 14-19
Junior: July 21-26
Primary: July 28-31