



Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church

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

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From The Pastor's Desk

June 20th is Father's Day this year. It is a time that we can fulfill the command of Scripture to 'honor your father and your mother that your days may be long in the land' (Ex. 20). There are some who have fathers living and some that have lost their fathers, but whatever the situation, we are to honor those that our heavenly Father appointed to provide, protect and prepare us for life while we were young.

As we honor fathers, think about the responsibility that God has given to them. First, He has commanded them to 'love their wives as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for Her, that He might present to Himself a glorious church without spot and without wrinkles.' (Eph. 5). The responsibility to be a good father begins with being a good husband. This verse tells us that the husband/father is to be willing to sacrifice for the well being (not just physical, but especially spiritual of his wife). The children are to learn from their father what true, sacrificial love is to look like. To love his wife well, sacrificially, in a way that she grows and develops under his care is more than providing a pay check or fixing things around the house. It requires the husband/father to listen, to observe, to pray for wisdom, to be sensitive to what is happening in the life of the wife/mother. Someone has well said, "The best thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother well." And then the father is commanded to "bring up your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

As the child sees the loving care of the husband/father toward the wife/mother, he begins to see and understand about relationships and roles and responsibilities. It is from this framework that parents raise their children

One time, parents brought their teenage son in for counseling. They didn't know what to do—he seemed out of control. The counselor explained that to 'fix' the teenager required 'fixing' the home. He shared that there were three things that were required of the parents if their teenager was to turn his life around.

The parents were willing to make the changes necessary to help their teen. The counselor shared:

First, the father must become the spiritual leader of the home.

Second, father and mother had to be on the same page, working together, supporting one another, consistent in their home.

Third, the parents had to be parents and stop seeking to be their teen's best friend.

The counselor shared, when these three things are true in a home, the teen will begin to straighten out. The parents took it by faith and began to do the things the counselor had said and their son became a wonderful teen (not a perfect one).

Memory Verse for June

Be working on this important verse from Proverbs 18:10:

*The name of the LORD is a high tower
The righteous run into it and are safe.*

Be working on this verse as a family. Blessings.

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

Who & What We've Been Praying For

Heather Sullard
Chris Schoenthal
Dwayne Wood & family
Sandi Moore
Shirley Frieling
Paul & Shirley Baer
David Wittenberger
Russell Gerlach
Gary Schoenthal (*Katy Manor, Room 208,
205 Prospect Ave., Pilot Grove, MO 65273*)
Our country and our leaders

ALEX IMHOFF MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE

The annual Alex Imhoff Memorial Blood Drive will be Thursday, June 24, at the Jamestown Community Building. This will run from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Fully vaccinated people are not required to wear a mask. Each donor receives one free admission ticket to Worlds of Fun.

You can sign up in advance to donate by going to:
www.redcross.org



Mark your calendars that the Jamestown Community VBS will be held July 12-15. This is open to all children in the community and surrounding area. This is sponsored by our church, St. Paul's and Grace United Methodist. More details will follow closer to time.

New Hope Baptist will have their VBS on July 25-30.



Our last fish fry in February was such a great time and we had such beautiful weather that we've decided to have another one! Sunday, June 27, we will have another fish fry following Sunday School.

Bring your appetites and side dishes and join us for a fun afternoon together.

Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church Board Report – April 2021

Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church Board met on April 26, 2021. Present were Pastor Steve Watson, Andrew Rohrbach, Kathy Gerlach, Mark Baepler, Dale Taggart and Kevin Coffelt. Pastor Steve gave the opening prayer.

Secretary's Report:

Kathy submitted the March meeting minutes for review. Mark made a motion to approve; Kevin seconded. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report for February was presented and reviewed. Kathy made a motion to approve; Mark seconded; all in favor. Treasurer's Report for March was presented and reviewed. Mark made a motion to approve; Kevin seconded it; all in favor. A detailed copy of both reports will be posted on the church bulletin board.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Steve presented his monthly report to the board. A few names were brought forth for him to check in on.

He indicated there were a few things on the work day list that still needed to be done, but we will work on getting those completed.

Old Business:

Questionnaire put together from building committee was reviewed and copies will be available at church on Sunday.

Mark reported he was still gathering info on the proposed building project.

No discussion on janitorial duties has occurred yet.

Kevin has not received responses on the septic tank yet.

No music stand or projection screen have been ordered yet but will be soon.

Andrew asked Dale to check back on payments to cemetery board so we can get them paid in full.

Talent Show and Family Fellowship is May 2nd. Rohrbach family will be hosting. The church will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs. Kathy was asked to send an email reminder to the church families about this.

Discussion on communion procedures and we will go back to the original way of doing this. Mark will verify we have communion supplies.

New Business:

On our work day it was noticed we may have a leak in the roof. Roofer has been contacted about this and will be coming to check on it.

Discussion on whether to continue streaming our church service via Facebook. Will discuss further next month.

Andrew presented a bill for piano tuning to be paid this week.

Kathy asked for use of the church basement for Blazing Needles on Saturday, May 15, which was approved.

Kathy asked where secretary records were, or needed to be, permanently stored. Andrew will look into this further.

Pastor Steve indicated he has never received confirmation from Convoy of Hope about speaking on Mission Fest Sunday. He has information on another group from Fulton he will be contacting to check on their availability.

Discussion on the possibility of doing a joint church directory with St. Paul's sometime in the fall. More information will be coming on that.

Dates to Remember:

May 2 – Family Fellowship & Talent Show

May 9 – Mother's Day

May 10 – Men's Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.

May 15 – Blazing Needles at Moniteau

May 16 – Sit & Spit / Sugar & Spice meet after Sunday School

May 23 – Communion

May 24 – Church Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Mark made a motion to adjourn; Dale seconded. All in favor. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Gerlach, Secretary

Youth Groups

We are very excited about going on a mission trip this summer to Westfield, IN. We are working through an organization called Group Workcamps. We will stay in a school, sleep on air mattresses in the classrooms, eat in the cafeteria, and have nightly worship services in the gym. During the day, we will go out into the community and work on houses of low income and elderly people. The combination of service, powerful nightly sessions, and simply being away from home and the daily grind of life puts everyone's heart in a vulnerable position for the Holy Spirit to work.

Please pray for Ben, Kim, and myself (Seth) and Barb. Pray for safety and spiritual growth for the youth and adults alike. Thank you all for your continued prayers and for the incredible support we get from our church family.

Pray for the Middle School Youth Group—for God to raise up workers/leaders.

Good Books

You might encounter a good book, buy it, read it and then it sits on your shelf. It is too good to throw away and it collects dust. If you have a good book that has especially helped you in your walk with the Lord Jesus and would like to make it available for your brothers and/or sisters in the church, please bring it to the pastor's office with a brief note including your name including whether you desire the book to be returned to you and how it helped you in your spiritual life. When you find a book that helps you, be assured that it will also help others.

From Mary Kay

Over the past year I have been thinking a lot about and learning some things about God's view of women...our relationships with others, our relationships with husbands, our relationship with the Church, God's purpose in creating women, ways in which God demonstrated working differently in various women's lives. I hope to develop and speak to these thoughts and ideas over the next months. I'm going to start here with a few thoughts from Genesis chapters 1 and 2 where we have recorded the creation story. Chapter 1 gives a general synopsis of God's creation of "humankind" made in "our own image, after our likeness", creating them "male and female". Chapter 2 goes into more detail and it is here that I find some amazing ideas worthy of considerable prayer and thoughtfulness. In verse 18, The Creator identifies the first thing of creation which he deems "not good". "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a companion [ESV-traditionally 'helper.' The English word "helper," because it can connote so many different ideas, does not accurately convey the connotation of the Hebrew word ('ezer). Usage of the Hebrew term does not suggest a subordinate role, a connotation which English 'helper' can have. In the Bible God is frequently described as the 'helper,' the one who does for us what we cannot do for ourselves, the one who meets our needs. In this context the word seems to express the idea of an "indispensable companion." The woman would supply what the man was lacking in the design of creation and logically it would follow that the man would supply what she was lacking, although that is not stated here.] for him who corresponds to him. [ESV-The Hebrew expression (k negdo) literally means "according to the opposite of him." The man's form and nature are matched by the woman's as she reflects him and complements him. Together they correspond. In short, this prepositional phrase indicates that she has everything that God had invested in him.] To demonstrate what He was doing to fix what was

"not good" about His creation, the passage steps back to God giving Adam the job of naming the animals which entailed Him bringing the animals and birds to Adam to see what Adam would name them..."and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name...but no companion who corresponded to him was found." And thus. God's solution: He created a woman...and Adam recognized her as "bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh"...and "that is why a man leaves his father and mother and unites with his wife, and they become one." Now, I have written just portions of Genesis 2:18-24 along with some interesting-to-me study helps, and I encourage you to read the passage for yourself in as many translations as you can get your hands on; feel free to read many study helps if you have access to them. God records this and has KEPT it for thousands of years for you and I to learn from these words...His words...His choice. You are created a woman. As such, you are created as an antidote to what God saw "was not good" of His creation. As we move forward with these thoughts keep in mind that this has always been God's plan. God could have done creation differently had He wanted to. He intentionally created man and woman in exactly the way He did for His purpose: in creation, in the world order, in history, in... you fill in the blank. Let's make sure we go only to Him to understand His thoughts of His purpose in creating us as women.

Sermon Series

We will be looking at the names God gives Himself in the Bible throughout the summer. To help you learn and learn to 'pray' the names of God, ('The name of the Lord is a high tower, the righteous run into it and they are safe', Prov. 18:10), I encourage you to work through:

*The Names of God by Ann Spangler
Praying Through the Names of God by Tony Evans
Knowing God by Name by David Wilkerson*

With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

Our church was deeply saddened by the passing of Norma Wood on April 30. Norma was a blessing to our church family and had been an active member of our Women's Fellowship over the years. She was also a talented quilter and seamstress, sharing her quilting and sewing talents with the young ladies in our church and community and teaching them to sew.

Our thoughts and prayers remain with Dwayne, Jason, Christinia and their family.

Simple ways to share the Gospel

¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:14-15

One of the hardest parts of sharing the Gospel is to lead a conversation in the direction of talking about spiritual things. Very few people will come and ask you to tell them about Jesus, but that doesn't mean that they are not interested. The need is to begin a spiritual conversation without it being uncomfortable. We will be sharing some thoughts in the coming newsletters.

Idea#1—Give a gift

People like receiving gifts and there are several things you can give people from the church. We have Daily Breads to freely give out, Jesus Storybook Bibles (to give to young parents) and Parent Life Magazines. You can give them and say, "Our church gives these out. Would you take a look and tell me what you think?" Be sure to contact them a week or so later and ask if they had time to look at the gift and what their thoughts were. It will give you an opportunity to begin a 'spiritual conversation.'

Update on the Jesus Storybook Bible

We have given out nearly 60 Jesus Storybook Bibles out in the last few months.

There is a second book that Mary Kay and I would like to make available to families of children elementary and young teens: **I Am, 40 Reasons to Trust God**. It explores the various names and descriptions of God in the Bible: **Creator. Comforter. Healer. Friend. God's names tell us who He is, what He is like, and what He does. I Am, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, including Jehovah Jireh, The Lord My Shepherd, Immanuel, Rabbi, and I Am. If you would like a copy, please let Pastor Steve know. It is a great way to share the Gospel and also to begin helping parents teach their children about Jesus.**

Also there are copies in back of "Parent Life Magazine" to give to a friend. On the first page it has a very good and simple Gospel presentation

Our Missionaries—the Dettmans

Hello family and friends,

I pray you're doing well and enjoying some warmer weather. There's been lots happening here in Southwinds as we've begun planning for the end of the year and preparing for a short-term team coming in June. In addition to what's in our update, our interns here will be doing a Launch Week from May 23-27. A Launch Week is a time where we set aside other priorities (language, meetings, admin, etc.) to focus exclusively on meeting and sharing with students in order to help launch a movement. Please pray that God would give them divine appointments and prepare the way for them to bring the Good News to many students here in Sousse! And please let us know how you're doing and how we can be praying for you! together for His glory,

the Dettmans

