



Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church

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

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From Pastor Steve's Desk

Someone has said, “You are what you eat.” That is both true and not true. It is true that some (but not all) of the food we consume is converted into muscle, bone, energy—but it is also true that not everything becomes a part of the body—not every nutrient goes into the blood stream to nourish the body. We know we need to choose our foods carefully and eat sufficient amounts of the nourishing foods to maintain our health. But there is a problem, or there can be a problem, we are often faced with empty calories, that might taste good, but have little nutritional value and put on burdensome weight around the middle. These empty calories, while tasting good, can be detrimental to our health. We live in a country and at a time when we can choose what to eat and how much. But, we cannot escape the fact that what we consume has a direct bearing on our health and energy level.

What is true of us physically is also true of us spiritual—we need to feed our spirit. The Apostle Peter says it well, “*Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, ² like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, ³ if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.*” Peter instructs us that each of us is responsible to feed his/her own soul. It is important to see that we need to ‘put aside’ malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy and slander before we are ready to partake of the Word. If these things are in our hearts and minds it makes it so that the Word cannot penetrate. Peter then goes on to say, “Like a

newborn baby longs for his mother’s life-giving milk so long for the Word of God.” Seeing a baby latch on to his/her mother’s breast and drink until full is the picture Peter wants us to have in our minds about our desire for the Word of God. The purpose is to grow because we have tasted and seen that the LORD is good. Every Word that comes from Him is meant to nourish our spirits and souls. But, if we do not partake, we will not grow. There may be some that are on a starvation ‘spiritual diet of the Word’, others perhaps not partaking of enough to maintain spiritual strength let alone the resources to grow, while yet others make sure daily their souls are well fed. How is your spiritual diet?

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Tuesday afternoon at St. Paul’s

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

Becoming

Begins August 28th

We are planning to have a kick-off rally for Middle Schoolers August 28th, a night of fun, food, fellowship. We will introduce them to five core values: Honoring God, Growing as individuals (spiritually, emotionally), Connecting with others, Sharing what Jesus has done in their lives and Serving others. We will be using a resource, "The One Minute Bible for Students" which will develop a habit of daily Bible reading. We are in the process of putting together four teams: A prayer team (to pray for each teen and their family regularly), A food team (which will provide food for them coming right from school), An activity team (to keep things fun) and a teaching team (to help the understand biblically what is required of them). There is a place on a team for everyone that would like to make a difference in Middle School Youth. There are potentially 50+ Middle School Youth attending Jamestown this coming year. We desire to build into the lives of as many as possible. To join a team, contact Pastor Steve (319-640-7009, ecmc.steve@gmail.com) or Kathy Reimler (573-424-1086). Going to be a great year.

News From Our Missionaries

Hey family and friends,

Today, our friends and neighbors here are celebrating their largest religious holiday of the year, Eid al-Adha (holiday of sacrifice). The holiday remembers the story of Abraham, when God asked him to sacrifice his son. In the story (Genesis 22), Abraham takes his son up to the top of a mountain, ties him to an altar, and just before he kills him, God stops him and provides a sheep for him to sacrifice instead. To celebrate, the people here buy a sheep and keep it in their yard for a few days, then slaughter it to remember God's provision of a sheep for a sacrifice. Please join us in praying that they would see that this story points to the ultimate sacrifice God sent for His people. Jesus came as the "Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world" (John 1:29), that "by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14). Only in Jesus do we see God's perfect justice for sin and His perfect mercy towards sinners converge. We pray that all those around the world celebrating Eid over the next few days recognize that truth as well!

Together for His glory,

Nick & Erica

Update on Missions--MissionFest

Our church is committed to taking the message of Jesus forgiveness and grace to those next-door and around the world. We support a number of missions CRU (the Dettmans), Festival of Sharing (caring for the physical needs of those that are close, Healing House in Jefferson City (helping men and women recover from brokenness). We are also a part of The Evangelical Association (a group of churches that stretches across our country that has a history of faith and desires to be faithful to the LORD Jesus and the Word of God. God has been blessing our Association as churches and individuals join us each month. The Evangelical Association, in reaching the world through churches and church planting is a mission organization as well as others. On Sept. 29th, we will have the privilege of having Rev. Jim Barnes come to share with us from God's Word and share what God is doing through the EA. Plan to come and join us for MissionFest 2019.

Who & What We've Been Praying For

Heather Sullard
Dettman Family
Norma & Dwayne Wood
John & Bev Ernst
Jason Wood
Jamestown Community Youth Groups





Read: John 6:1-13

Just like the boy in this story, how he was willing to share his lunch, are you willing to share your things with others? Are there times when you should share with your brother or sister or a friend? It's really good to share your things with others so they, too, can enjoy them and even be blessed by it, as the people were that fed on the boy's lunch.

It pleases God when we share our toys, or food, or whatever we may have that someone else can have enjoyment with. After all, everything we have has been given to us from God. He has shared all good things with us, so we should share them with others. That way we can all experience the blessing of the Lord.

So, are you willing to share today?

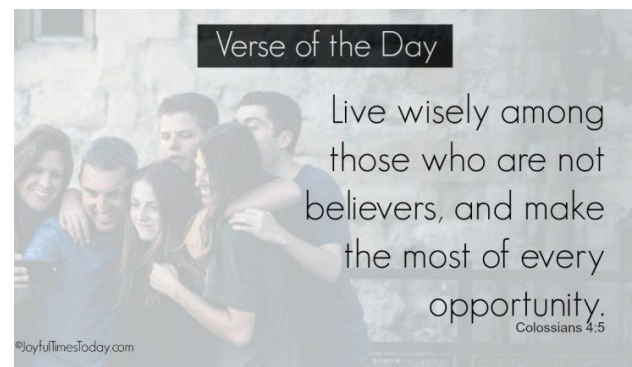
A Faith Story from Mary Kay

I love, love, love reading and learning from the Old Testament...specifically how it enlarges my understanding of things that happen in the New Testament. Very often, the things from both that catch and hold my attention pertain particularly to women...which lets me know how very loved by and important to God women are. There is a connection between a difficult passage in Leviticus and a common story in Mark. Leviticus 15 is speaking about the daily "contaminants" representative of sin which God wanted to affect the everyday life of His people. Verses 25-30 speak exclusively to women, because it deals with an exclusively feminine event. In our day, we generally react negatively to the idea of a naturally occurring life-process being called "unclean", so I want you to understand that all this "uncleanness" spoken of in this chapter in Leviticus is ceremonial uncleanness which meant the person was separated from worshipping God in the tabernacle, offering sacrifices, praying in the tabernacle, etc. This brings me to the story in Mark 5:24-34 of the woman who for twelve years suffered from a flow of blood. Understand the implication between the two passages is that this woman was ceremonially unclean and had been separated from

public forms of service and worship of God for these twelve years. The law did not allow her to touch a priest or rabbi either. Yet, thinking she was hidden in the crowd, with confidence Jesus would restore her, she touched the hem of his garment. And Jesus knew. He looked for her, He identified her, He knew her, He did in fact heal, restore and free her from that which made her unclean and separated her from worshipping God publicly. A wonderment. A reminder of our constant, ageless, unchanging God, who looks for you, knows you, and will heal, restore and free you from all that separates you from Him.

Sermon Series on the Holy Spirit

The night before Jesus died, He called His disciples and said, "And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it sees Him not, neither knows Him: but you know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." (John 14) This Fall we will be exploring and learning about this One that Jesus prayed that we would have. Come and join us.



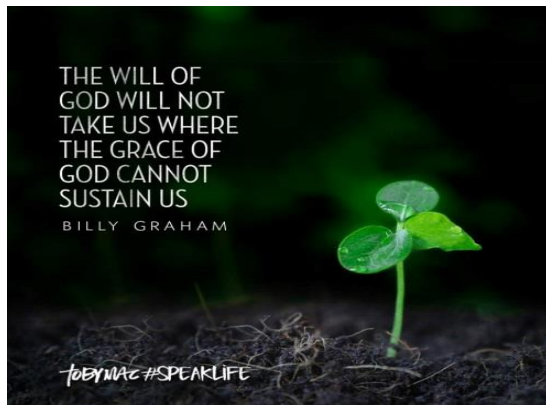
Youth Rally in California **Sept. 15, 6:30-8pm**

There will be a county wide Youth Rally (Middle School and High School) for all churches and youth of Moniteau County Sunday evening, Sept. 15th at the UCC church in California. There will be no cost. A worship team from Central Christian College will be coming to share in music and testimony. There will be pizza and pop and prizes. Come and meet other Christians in the county. Please let the youth leaders (Seth Rohrbach, Ben Marshall, Pastor Steve or Kathy Reimler) know you are coming and whether you need transportation.

FAMILIES IN NEED

Time to start the annual Families in Need collections. Starting in September for the next three months, the second Sunday of each month the offering will go towards the Christmas blessings for these families, unless noted in the memo of a check. Susan Powell has agreed to be our contact person again this year. If you have a family that would benefit, please complete the survey of sizes and items in the coming months.

What a blessing for both those who receive and those that generously give. Jesus is the reason for the season.



On Friday August 2nd, many Moniteau families joined at the Boonville pool for a day in the sun. During the evening everyone who signed up gathered to swim and later eat pizza. There were water slides, diving boards, and even a splash pad for younger kids. After a fun evening swimming everyone either walked or drove to the nearby park where we ate Casey's pizza. Overall everyone enjoyed the water, sun, and food. Thank you Moniteau Sunday School for sponsoring this event!

Submitted by Kai Fennewald

JULY BOARD REPORT

The Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church board met on July 22nd, 2019. Present were: Pastor Steve, Cindy Wieberg, Beth Fennewald, Justin Traub, Dale Taggart, and Andrew Rohrbach. Meeting was opened with a prayer.

Secretary's Report:

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

Treasurer's Report:

Income for June 2019 was \$3,346.13, expenses were \$3,267.40. Total assets were \$70,661.77 (minus Union Pacific Stock). Andy made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Dale. Vote taken and passed.

Old Business:

After reviewing the bids for separating the Heating and Cooling system into two zones (the upstairs and the basement), a decision was made to proceed with the bid from H&D Heating and Air Conditioning. Dale made a motion to take the next step with the Fujitsu Mini Split option for a total of \$5,350.00. Andy seconded the motion and the vote passed. This motion must have approval from the congregation before proceeding any further. To have a vote the meeting must be set a minimum of 2 weeks after the first official announcement during services. The first announcement is set for July 28th. At that time, Andy will announce that on August 4th we will have an informational announcement after services where the proposal can be described in detail, information will be passed out, and any questions can be asked. On August 18th, the official vote will be taken after services. Each Sunday between July 28th and August 18th the announcement will be repeated.

Shelving material for the basement has arrived at the cabinet shop. Russell is coordinating the delivery.

AA Propane Contract was received for 1500 gallons for the price of \$1.289 a gallon. Andy made a motion to sign this contract and lock in this price. The motion was seconded by Justin and the vote passed. If the church doesn't use the full 1500 gallons it is not obligated to pay for the remaining gallons.

LED light fixtures were selected. Andy made a motion to order 2 - AntLux LED 4 ft 4 bulb fixtures with covers (4 pack) from Amazon for a price of \$249.99 each. This will be 2 packs of 4 fixtures for a total of 8 fixtures. The motion was seconded by Cindy and the vote passed.

New Business:

No new business was discussed.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, August 26th at 7:00pm.

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Traub, Secretary

Special Congregational Meeting August 18th, 2019

A special congregational meeting was held on August 18th, 2019 to discuss the HVAC system in the church. After board members explained the topic for the meeting, the Building Committee's recommendation and selected bid was discussed. All questions from the congregation were discussed and the voting took place. There were two votes taken and the details are stated below:

Vote # 1

"Accept the Church Board's and Building Committee's recommendation to take the two existing heating & air conditioning units, and have them heat the upstairs portion of the Church using a single upstairs thermostat, and purchase a new heating & air conditioning system for the downstairs portion of the Church, using a separate downstairs thermostat, at a cost of between \$5,000 and \$6,000 for the new downstairs system?"

This vote passed unanimously with 24 "Yes" votes.

Vote # 2

"With the approval of the previous vote for a new unit to heat & cool the downstairs, should we also replace the two older units that will be used to heat & cool the upstairs?"

This vote failed with a final tally of 5 "Yes" and 19 "No" votes.

With all voting completed, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Traub, Secretary

NO CHURCH SERVICE AT MONITEAU ON SEPT. 1

No church services will be held on September 1 due to the Labor Day community church service being held at the Jamestown Park. Everyone is welcome to join that service which starts at 9:30 a.m.

The Jamestown FFA will host a free will donation breakfast at the community building prior to that, serving from 8:00-9:30.

