

August

Newsletter



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| SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE | 9:30 a.m. |
| TUESDAY: Adult Bible Study | 10:00 a.m. |
| WEDNESDAY: Women's Bible Study | 4:30 p.m. |
| THURSDAY: Nehemiah Prayer Group | 11:00 a.m. |
| Men's Bible Study | 1:30 p.m. |

Poem of Life



Life is but a stopping place,
A pause in what's to be,
A resting place along the road,
To sweet eternity.
We all have different journeys,
Different paths along the way,
We all were meant to learn some things,
But never meant to stay...
Our destination is a place
Far greater than we know.
For some the journey's quicker,
For some the journey's slow.
And when the journey finally ends,
We'll claim a great reward,
And find an everlasting peace,
Together with the lord.



| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|
| | | 1 10:00 am Adult Bible Study | 2 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Invocation @ City Council | 3 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study | 4 | 5 |
| 6 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship w/Communion | 7 | 8 10:00 am Adult Bible Study | 9 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study | 10 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study | 11 7:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal | 12 2:00 pm Vis/Woodward Wedding |
| 13 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship Fellowship following the service | 14 6:00 pm Advisory Board Meeting | 15 10:00 am Adult Bible Study | 16 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study | 17 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study | 18 NO LAMPLIGHTERS THIS MONTH | 19 11:00 am-6:00 pm Hispanic Pastors C.O.G.S. 6:00 PM |
| 20 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship 11:00 am-3:00 pm Hispanic Pastors | 21 | 22 10:00 am Adult Bible Study | 23 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study | 24 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study | 25 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE | 26 |
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JULY REPORT

| | ATTENDANCE | VIEWS | OFFERING* |
|------|------------|-------|------------|
| 7/2 | 51 | 67 | \$3,250.00 |
| 7/9 | 48 | 9 | \$1,495.00 |
| 7/16 | 36 | 25 | \$1,655.80 |
| 7/23 | 41 | 5 | \$3,599.00 |
| 7/30 | NA | NA | NA |

2023 Year to Date received: *\$74,507.22

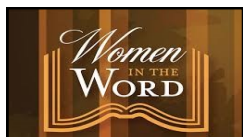
2023 Budgeted Amount: *\$81,421.20

Amount Needed Per Sunday: *\$2,714.04

*These figures are for General Fund and Missions only.

USHERS FOR AUGUST

JAKE HAWKINS & BRAD THORESON



Ladies, the book of the month for
AUGUST is II KINGS.



NO LAMPLIGHTERS MEETING IN AUGUST

C.O.G.S.

C.O.G.S. will meet Saturday, August 19 at 6:00 p.m. Details are pending. More info will be in Sunday bulletins. All are welcome!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

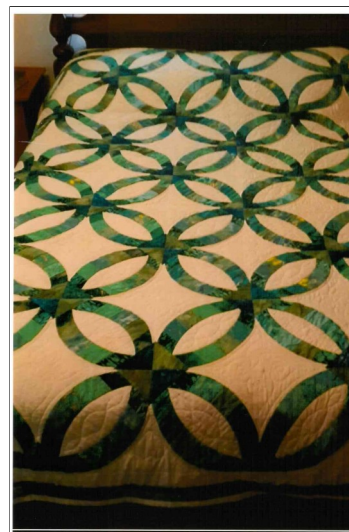
- 3 Joan Cleveland
Shirley Snapper
- 6 Robert Harris
- 14 Audrey Harris
- 17 Brindia Hall
- 19 Jenna Paul
- 23 Dwayne Williams
- 25 Kyle Coffey
- 28 Will Nelson

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 13 Leroy & Carole Mathieu
- 15 Dan & Cindy Van't Hof
- 17 Steve & Shelly Stutson
- 19 Pat & Kim Gardner

FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS

Lenore McMillan 8/2/20



It's that time again. The ABW Ministries are selling raffle tickets for a

quilt. The quilt has been made by Immanuel Baptist Church Women of Minot, ND. The proceeds go to the Church of Hope that is inside the Women's Prison in Pierre, SD. The quilt raffle helps to cover the pastor's salary, Bible studies, Bibles, prisoner exit bags and other expenses. The tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for five tickets. If you wish to purchase tickets, please contact available from Val Thompson (605) 351-3040 or Joan Cleveland (605) 360-2330.



with you along the way

We Need a Couple Favors

Favor #1 – Complete and return the enclosed “Service Survey”

Whether the proposed revised constitution passes or not, we WILL convene a Nominating Committee this year. That is a difficult job you can make a lot easier by completing and returning to the office the enclosed survey which indicates the positions you are willing to consider for nomination.

- Fill out one form for each person in your household.
- Follow the instructions for completing BOTH sections.
 - In the Personal Information section, give us all your contact information and indicate whether you are a member or not. Do this even if you are not a member and/or are not interested in any positions.
 - In the Positions section, check mark only those positions for which you are willing to be considered for nomination. If you are unwilling, for any reason, to be considered for a position, leave that line blank. If there’s something you’re willing to do in service to our church that we don’t have listed, use the last line to specify what that is.
- Return the completed forms to the office by putting them in the offering plate at worship, send them in the mail, scan and attach them to an email, take a picture with your smartphone and send it to Stephanie; however you wish. If you don’t return the form, the committee will call you, slowing down the process.

THANK YOU for making the committee’s work easier and more productive.

Favor #2 – Pray and consider what you may do to help our current finances.

We are experiencing an income shortage and need your help. The situation has come about because offerings in three of the last four months have averaged less than \$2000 a week. We need an average of \$2714 each week to meet our budgeted expenses. This income shortage has depleted our General Fund. July's bills will be paid, but if this shortage continues, August is in question.

You can help by catching up on your pledge if the busy summer days have caused you to miss some offerings. Also, in conversation with our Advisory Board, we will ask for a one-time collection called the "Sixth Sunday" offering. Please consider giving your usual Sunday offering a sixth time, as if July had six Sundays instead of five. I have already made my Sixth Sunday offering. You can give yours by your usual means but mark it "Sixth Sunday".

The Bible says everything is God’s. Whether we feel we’ve earned it or not, what we have is the Lord’s. We are to use it in ways that honor Him. The spiritual discipline of managing material things is called Stewardship. God’s “gold standard” of stewardship is regular, proportional, and cheerful giving. Knowing these things, we try to stay away from special appeals, fund raisers, and pressure tactics in funding our church. Our current situation requires a measured response beyond the ordinary. We want to avoid any kind of crisis, so we are taking the additional step of asking for this special offering.

Thank you for your support of God's work here at Emmanuel Baptist Church. We are grateful to be in partnership in ministry together.

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OUR FLAG

By Helen Peters

Our flag is so beautiful
As it floats in the breeze,
Reminding each of us
That all of us are free.

Red is for valor
White for purity
Blue stands for justice
All three for sincerity.

The stars are for states
13 was the count,
Then it grew to 48
That was a good amount.

Two more states were added
50 states in all,
We are a blessed nation
On God do we call.

Does it make you angry
To see our flag in flames?
What happened to respect
They seem to have no shame.

So on this Independence Day
May we be tried and true
Let each of us stand up
For the red, white, and blue.



SD AB MEN'S ROUND UP AUGUST 25-27, 2023

Round Up the Men and Boys!

Round Up the men and boys, and head to Camp Judson for a great weekend to grow in your faith, bond in fellowship, relax, have fun, and eat some great food! No need to preregister, just register between 3:00 – 5:00 PM on Friday, August 25 at Camp Judson.

Costs: \$100 (15 and older); \$75 (ages 6-14); \$ half price for pastors; \$50 one-day rate; FREE (5 and under); Cabins 1, 2, & 3, and Insp. Lodge extra charge. Questions? Contact: abcdakaaron@gmail.com or 605-575-2071.

MEN AND BOYS, HEAD
ON OVER TO:

FELLOWSHIP RELAX
WORSHIP SHARPEN
HAVE A GREAT TIME
EAT GREAT FOOD

FEATURED SPEAKER:
AARON KILBOURN

GUEST SPEAKER:
CHRIS RICHARDS,
A DECENT FARRIER

WESTERN AUCTION

The Wily Clay Pigeon

Weekend schedule under
Camp Judson on:

www.abc-dakotas.org



Good morning! You are doing so much to help the people of Ukraine.

1.) Thank you for your generous support of the flood victims in Kherson after the dam was bombed. We've been able to send thousands of dollars in aid to flood victims. Thank God! We praise



God that the Church is rising up to deliver help and hope in this hour. Thank you to all who give and pray.

2.) On another note, by God's grace, five more refugees who have been attending our Bible studies /ser-



vices were baptized Sunday, July 9. Nine refugees have given their hearts to Jesus in the last six months. Praise Him! Please pray for the Holy Spirit to lead more to follow Christ.

3.) And refugees are arriving at the New Hope Refugee Center--completely remodeled and furnished with funds



from *Kingdom Capital Fund* and *Arise! Ukraine* partners.

Thank you for your support. Thank you for your prayers Please pray for a quick and just end to this war. *"Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, fear not! Behold you God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.'"* (Isaiah 35:4)

If you would like to make a secure gift for the work of this ministry, copy and paste

<https://engage.suran.com/ariseukr/s/give/new-gift?slug=arise-ukraine>

Or send a gift to:

Arise! Ukraine - P.O. Box 812 - Sioux Falls, SD 57101

And thank you to Joni Merkley in our U.S. office and Yulia Ekgardt who perform multiple administrative and accounting tasks for us daily. We are deeply grateful!

In Jesus' love,
Paul, Nastia & Team

Arise! Ukraine

Service Survey 2023

Fill out the personal information section, then check the box for each position you will consider service. Your information will be kept confidential: it is for the exclusive use of the office and our **Nominating Committee**. This survey will not be taken yearly.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a member? _____

POSITIONS

(Check all that apply.)*

Assistant Treasurer

Auditing Committee

Church Historian

Clerk

Deacon

Financial Secretary

Asst Financial Secretary (Counter)

Fellowship Provider

Greeter

Librarian

Memorial Fund Recorder

Ministry Team Member

Moderator

Vice-moderator

Temporary Custodian Team

Trustee

Usher

Something not on our list? Write it here: _____.

* (Leave blank the services you will NOT consider doing.)