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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.



Life is a gift.

*Never forget to enjoy and bask
in every moment you are in.*

~ Unknown ~



June 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<div> PASTOR BRETT WILL BE ON VACATION MAY 29 - JUNE 4 & JUNE 19 - JULY 2 </div>				1 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group	2	3 Melanie Best/ Austin Wheeler Wedding
4 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship	5 12:00 noon Constitution Review Ministry Team Mtg	6 10:00 am Adult Bible Study	7 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study	8 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study	9	10
11 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship w/Communion 10:45 Quarterly Business meeting	12	13 10:00 am Adult Bible Study	14 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study 	15 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 1:30 pm Men's Bible Study	16 2:00 pm Lamplighters	17
18 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship 	19 	20	21 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study	22 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group	23	24
25 9:15 Prayer 9:30 am Worship	26	27	28 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study	29 11:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group	30 6-9 pm Ukrainian Orthodox Church	

MAY REPORT

	ATTENDANCE	VIEWS	OFFERING*
5/7	35	8	\$2,319.40
5/14	49	20	\$1,765.00
5/21	40	9	\$1,201.33
5/28	35	12	\$2,918.00

2023 Year to Date received: *\$57,390.29

2023 Budgeted Amount: *\$59,708.88

Amount Needed Per Sunday: *\$2,714.04

*These figures are for General Fund and Missions only.

USHERS FOR JUNE JAKE HAWKINS & RUSSEL PETERS

Women
IN THE
WORD

Ladies, the book of the month for
JUNE is 1 KINGS.

LAMPLIGHTERS



JUNE LAMPLIGHTERS MEETING

June 16 - 2:00 p.m.

Chancellor Reformed Church

93 Dewey Ave, Chancellor, SD 57015

LOVE GIFT: Not available at time of print.

C.O.G.S.

C.O.G.S. met at the church on May 20 for pizza and dessert with 17 present. Steve and Shelly Stutson gave information about the ride to the Veteran's Cemetery and memorial tribute at Veteran's Park at 2:00 on May 28. The next meeting will be Saturday, August 19 at Thompson's for a cookout at 6:00 p.m. More details will follow. Pastor Brett was the "host" for a trivia game to end the evening.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Dick Kruse
- 5 Betty Coffey
- 6 Helen Peters
- 12 Jackie Harris
- Kristy VanMeeteren (Sherman)
- 14 Karen Walter (Kruse)
- 16 Nancy O'Connell
- 17 Noah Carlson
- 25 Jon Michael Talbert
- 26 Kary Best
- 27 Junie Bittiker
- 28 Cassandra Wise
- 30 Katrina Kruse

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Becky Lindstrom & Bill Palanuk
- 7 Skip & Sandy Sherman
- Chris & Kathy Paul
- 9 Dave & Susan Behrends

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

06/22/2021 Iona Flaskey

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 @ 10:45 AM

CHURCH is my COLLEGE.
HEAVEN is my UNIVERSITY.
JESUS is my PRINCIPAL.
THE HOLY SPIRIT is my TEACHER.
ANGELS are my CLASSMATES.
THE BIBLE is my STUDY BOOK.
TRIAL & TEMPTATION are my EXAMS.
WINNING SOULS are my ASSIGNMENTS.
PRAYER is my ATTENDANCE.
CROWN OF LIFE is my DEGREE.
AND PRAISE & WORSHIP is my MOTTO.

with you along the way

Thanks a Lot

**Be thankful in all circumstances,
for this is God's will for you who
belong to Christ Jesus.**

(1 Thessalonians 5:18 NLT)

I may be guilty of splitting hairs, but as I read that verse, it commands us to be thankful **IN** all circumstances, not **FOR** all circumstances. The difference? The former would require us to make up some attitude of gratitude for adversity, be joyful over sorrows, or show positivity in tragedy. The latter points us back to God, trusting that in every kind of circumstance He is working all things for our good. The former is a discipline of positive thinking, the latter a spiritual assurance God is taking care of us.

We can ALWAYS be THANKFUL for what God is doing because our faith tells us He is doing good to us. Because He loves us, God always has the best things in mind for us. As He is the highest good, He is always working to draw us near to Him.

Even when this thankful attitude does not come naturally or easily, it is nonetheless mandatory, because God commands us to have a tank full of thankful! All God's commands are for our own good. When we choose to obey God, we are acting in our own best interest and that is – in this case - a God-approved motive. Doing right is doing good for yourself.

Thankfulness and happiness are not the same thing. It's easier to be thankful for the things that make us happy. It requires more forethought and intent to be thankful in sad circumstances. In both cases, it is GOD'S WILL for us to be thankful. When we demonstrate our gratitude in happy and unhappy times, it shows we do BELONG TO CHRIST JESUS.

We're a few months out from Thanksgiving Day but consider the example of the Pilgrims on whom that holiday is based.

We're familiar with the story in general outlines, but have you heard the statistics? Forty-five of the 102 Mayflower passengers died in the winter of 1620–21, primarily from scurvy, pneumonia, and lack of shelter. H.U. Westermeyer observed, "The Pilgrims made seven times more graves than huts. No Americans have been more impoverished than these who nevertheless set aside a day of Thanksgiving."

(Retrieved from <https://amydeespeaker.com/2020/07/23/gratitude-improves-everything/> on 23 May 2023.

Thankfulness isn't based on what you've got, it's based on who God is.

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One Great Hour of Sharing supports disaster relief, ministries to displaced persons, and development projects of the American Baptist Churches and its partners. The fund is administered by the World Relief Committee of the Board of General Ministries of American Baptist Churches USA. This offering is promoted in May and June.

Throughout the year, there may be special appeals for particular disasters. To designate your OGHS gift, make sure to indicate to which appeal you are responding, for example "**OGHS – Ukraine Relief.**" The World Relief Committee will disburse the undesignated gifts to domestic and global projects.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING
will be taken on June 11 & June 18
during the Worship Service**

**If you would like, you can mail your offering
in the enclosed envelope.**



Congratulations!

"Know him in all your paths, and he will keep your ways straight."

Proverbs 3:6

**The following names are members,
family or friends of Emmanuel Baptist
Church who are honoring a
2023 Graduate.**

Jackson Lee Schnieder, son of Heidi & Brian Schnieder, graduated from Northwest High School in Omaha, NE. Jackson plans to attend Metro Community College in Omaha in the fall. (Grandson of Marlene Kriech, friend of Al Parliament)

Andrew Rogers, son of Karen Waldner & Mark Rogers and grandson of Joan Cleveland graduated from Mitchell Technical College. Andrew is working at Raven Industries.

Jadyn Paul, daughter of Kathy & Chris Paul and granddaughter of Skip & Sandy Sherman graduated from Millard North High School in Omaha, NE. Jadyn will be attending the University of Iowa with interest in English and Pre-law.

Tanner VanMeeteren, son of Kristy & Mark VanMeeteren and grandson of Skip & Sandy Sherman graduated from Washington High School, Sioux Falls. Tanner will be attending South Dakota State University with an interest in Engineering and Concrete Industry Management.

Kaitlyn Graham, daughter of Rob & Kari Graham and granddaughter of Sharon Hoover graduated from Dakota State University in Madison with a Baccalaureate Degree in Health Information Administration magna cum Laude and an Associate Degree in Health Information Technology with High Honor.

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May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord make His face shine
upon you and be gracious to you;
May the Lord lift up His favour upon
you and give you His peace.
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Arise! Ukraine Good morning! As the challenges and hardship continues here in Ukraine, we have good news: 1.) The new Refugee Housing Center has been completed and is ready to receive refugees from the eastern zones.

Praise God! After several months of planning and rigorous remodeling work--with a significant grant from Kingdom Capital Fund and your generous gifts--the "New Hope" Refugee Housing Center is now open and waiting to receive residents. We are so grateful for your support for this project.

This Center will be for those who have lost everything in the conflict, the elderly, disabled--or those whose lives are in imminent danger. "Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked." (Ps. 82:4)



We will update you as refugees arrive.

Please pray for:

God to lead the right refugees to this facility--and that they will experience the life and healing power of the Holy Spirit as they arrive. Provision for curtains, wash machines, dining room tables/chairs to be provided. About \$9,000 is still needed.

A few other developments:
2.) All seven "Tiny Homes" are now fully furnished, occupied and helping 21 refugees get their feet back on the ground. These people are immensely grateful to each of you who have helped. Thank you for your quick and generous response to this need!



3.) Our team continues to minister in another facility for 150 refugees in southwestern Ukraine. Holding weekly Bible studies, prayer meetings, Sunday services and one-on-one discipleship is part of our weekly schedule. Four have been baptized and we believe several more will be ready this summer.

4.) Recently, we've also been sponsoring outdoor clean-up activities to help the refugees stay active and serve each other.

5.) We also continue to send tons of food, medicine, clothing, personal hygiene products and other items through our partners to the thousands near the front lines who are without local stores and transport. Everything you see here is because of God's mercy and your faithfulness.

Thank you for remembering us and these precious people who are under constant threat and daily intimidation by one much stronger than they. Please keep praying for an end to this tragedy. We stand on God's promises.

"But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from evil." 2 Thes. 3:3



Villagers receive much-needed food and supplies.

If you would like to support this work with a gift, please see this secure link: [CDM+ Engage \(suran.com\)](https://suran.com)

Or send a check to: Arise! Ukraine
P.O. Box 812 Sioux Falls, SD 57101

You will receive a receipt.

Thank you! We love and pray for you!

In Jesus' love,
Paul, Nastia & Team - **Arise! Ukraine**