

July
July 10-16 Silver Maple Camp First Session for ages 9-13 years
July 17-23 Silver Maple Camp Second Session for ages 13-18 years
July 24-30 Silver Maple Camp Third Session for ages 9-18 years
September
Sept 23-24 Save the date! Ladies Retreat at Silver Maple Camp

ATTENTION!!!
We will be taking down and cleaning up all the VBS and decorations on July 18 at 6:30 p.m. Please show up and help us with this task.

BLESSING BOX
Have you checked out our new Blessing Box near the west entrance door? Thank you for supporting our children’s ministry and their efforts to bless the community by meeting this important basic need with your donations!

We have refilled the box a few times this past week which is exciting! After some research we have decided to suspend putting canned good items out for the time being with this extreme heat. The research is conflicting... Some saying those items might be OK and others not, but we want to be on the safe side as we serve our neighbors. **So until further notice, we asked that all donations please be of a non-can related variety.** We will hold off until the fall to share those items again. Here are some suggestions for donation items:

Boxed dinners, mac & cheese
Grains/beans/pasta
Bagged side item mixes (mashed potatoes, rice, noodles)
Cereal/oatmeal
Baking items (box mixes/staples)
Nut butter
Toiletries (shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, etc)- NO bar soap please

There are donation tubs set up in the foyer and west hallway near the stairwell for your convenience. If you have any questions, please see Kendall LeFlore, Lynette Turney, or Jennifer Hines. May God continue to bless our efforts as we reach out to those in our community!

CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE
July
July 03—Audra Hudspeth July 10—Jordyn Clark
July 17—Kaitlin Francisco July 24—Sarah Bradbury
July 31—Kaylee Hines
August
August 07—Linda Wartick August 14—Jordyn Clark

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK
The Danger We Don’t See

Anyone who knows me knows how much I love adventure. What I love about adventure isn’t necessarily the risks that usually accompany it, but simply the unknown.

It’s the unknown that makes an adventure. It’s in the unknown that risk lies.

A little bit of risk is fun. Too much risk is terrifying and no fun.

In life there are many risks that are worth taking, but there are some risks that should never be taken. The greatest risk that should never be taken is living your life in ignorance of God’s Word.

Someone might say, “Is it a risk to not know the Bible?” You bet it is. For instance, I consistently learn from the Bible how to serve God in ways that please Him and I also learn what a life looks like that’s not pleasing to God.

But most people live in ignorance of what is pleasing to God and simply take the unnecessary risk of living their life how they think best and hope that in the end what they have done has pleased God.

Take this Scripture as an example, 2 Timothy 2:4 –

4 No soldier in active service entangles himself in the affairs of everyday life, so that he may please the one who enlisted him as a soldier.

Paul is comparing the Christian to a soldier here. Most specifically, he’s teaching the young preacher Timothy how to live a life that is pleasing to God. The analogy he uses is that of a soldier who lives to please his commanding officer, which in the analogy, is Christ.

But look at what we learn from this verse – Active soldiers, in other words, Christians, don’t get themselves “entangled in the affairs of everyday life.” And Paul says that a Christian doesn’t do this “so that he may please the one who enlisted him as a soldier.”

So if I want to be please Jesus, and I do, I need to understand what Paul means when he says, “entangled in the affairs of everyday life.”

It’s not hard to understand, but it’s a hard teaching. The reason why it’s a hard teaching is because Paul isn’t saying that if you want to please Jesus you won’t get caught up in a life lived in sin. That’s true, but that’s not what Paul is saying.

What he’s saying is that if you want to please Jesus, you won’t allow

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FAMILY NEWS
Jill DeJarnett—fell and broke her hip on Friday. She has surgery Saturday morning and it went well. Keep her in your prayers!

Others on the prayer list: Scott Percival, Frankie Rice, The Lew-is’, Julie DeSoignie, Tom Kirkwood, Kylie Lock, Darlene Larson, Tammy Pontious, Eliza Conwell, Scott Callaway, Helen Norris, Max (Lonnie’s great-grandson), Tim Evans, Dorothy Crisler, Kendall Brundage, Duane & Cathy McKinney, Larry Helton

WESTVIEW BOYS HOME WORK TRIP
The dates for this year’s work trip to Westview Boys Home will be Sunday, Sept. 25—Saturday, Oct. 1 - more details to follow; please see Wes with any questions! Please make plans now to attend.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
*A great attitude becomes a great day,
which becomes a great month,
which becomes a great year,
which becomes a great life.*

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your time to be consumed with things in this world that have nothing to do with eternity. What makes this such a hard teaching is that Paul isn’t talking about things that, in and of themselves, are bad or sinful things. He’s simply referring to ANYTHING that you can get involved in that takes up your time but doesn’t serve any kind of eternal purpose.

So the question is now, “How do I know if I’m entangled?” You have to answer that for yourself, but allow me to help by asking a question. When you observe your life and examine what you spend time doing, how much of your time is spent on activities that serve an eternal purpose?

Be stingy and selective with your time. Don’t commit yourself to so many worldly activities that you have no time remaining for the things of God. And don’t deceive yourself into believing that because the activities that you’re involved in aren’t sinful that they are, therefore, pleasing to God.

Don’t be entangled in the things of this world. Get entangled in the things of the world to come. Live to please your commanding officer. Show Christ you love Him with how you use the time that He’s given to you.

Much Love!

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THOSE WHO SERVE				
<u>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</u>	<u>July 10</u>	<u>July 17</u>	<u>July 24</u>	<u>July 31</u>
<u>Opening Prayer</u>	B. Turney	M. Neal	A. Shields	M. Kline
<u>Song Leader</u>	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds
<u>Communion Talk</u>				
<u>& Prayer</u>	T. Norris	N. Bradbury	E. Newberry	E. Newberry
<u>Contribution Prayer</u>	L. Turney	L. Turney	L. Turney	D. Pierce
<u>Collection & Count</u>	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco
<u>Ushers</u>	A. Hines	A. Hines	A. Hines	A. Hines
	D. Carroll	D. Carroll	D. Carroll	D. Carroll
<u>Closing Prayer</u>	E. Newberry	E. Newberry	E. Newberry	E. Newberry
<u>Deacon in Charge</u>	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce
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<u>ATTENDANCE</u>				
SUNDAY—July 3				
Bible Class.....52				
A.M. Worship.....92				
Contribution.....\$2,625				
WEDNESDAY—July 6				
Auditorium—15		Teens—3		
Bible Hour—4		Total—22		

ELDERS		SCHEDULE OF SERVICE	
Rex Harris	Marvin Kline	<i>Sunday</i>	
Ed Newberry	Tom Norris	Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.	
		Worship.....10:30 a.m.	
DEACONS		<i>Wednesday</i>	
Nathan Bradbury	Kevin Dodds	Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.	
Aaron Hines	Leroy Lewis	Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.	
David Pierce	Wade Pierce		
Alan Shields			
MINISTER			
Wes LeFlore			

