

March
 Mar 29 5th Sunday Fellowship immediately following services

April
 Apr 01 Wednesday Night Supper; 6:00 p.m.
 Apr 05 Devotional at Botkin Care & Rehab; 2:00 p.m.
 Apr 08 Wednesday Night Supper; 6:00 p.m.
 Apr 12 Devotional at Botkin Care & Rehab; 2:00 p.m.
 Apr 15 Wednesday Night Supper; 6:00 p.m.
 Apr 19 Devotional at Botkin Care & Rehab; 2:00 p.m.
 Apr 22 Wednesday Night Supper—**NEED VOLUNTEER!**
 Apr 23 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study; 6:00 p.m.
 Apr 24 Ladies Bunco Night! Details to follow
 Apr 26 Devotional at Botkin Care & Rehab; 2:00 p.m.
 Apr 26 MYC at Belle Plaine; 3:00 p.m.
 Apr 29 Wednesday Night Supper; 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS
 Wednesday night supper is at 6pm The cost is \$2/person or \$10/family. See Jeanne or Kendall if you can volunteer a meal.

HONDURAS 2026 MISSION TEAM
 Wes is collecting funds to assist with the **Honduras 2026 Mission Trip**. If you would like to contribute to the 2026 Honduras Team, please see Wes. Thank you from Wes and the Honduras 2026 Team.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
 Sometimes we need someone to simply be there...not to fix anything or do anything in particular, but to just let us feel we are supported and cared about.

BLESSING BOX MINISTRY
 The Blessing Box pantry needs replenishment! We are running **VERY LOW** on goods, especially non canned and canned goods. If you are able to contribute anything, it is greatly appreciated! You may drop items off in the bins located in the foyer or west hallway, or you can place them directly onto the pantry shelves in our NEW Blessing Box storage room in the west hallway. You can also give a monetary donation to Kendall and we will shop for you! Thank you for supporting this ministry!

BLESSING BOX IDEAS

Non-Perishable Food Items:	Hygiene Items:
Peanut Butter	Shampoo/Conditioner
Granola/Protein Bars	Toothpaste/Toothbrush/Floss
Nuts, Oatmeal, Cereal, Crackers	Brushes/Combs
Beans, Rice, Lentils, Pasta, Pasta Sauce	Deodorant
One Box Meals or Mixes	Body Wash
Kitchen Staples (Flour, Sugar, salt/pepper)	Hats & Gloves
Dry Soup Mixes, Seasoning Packets	Scarves
Canned Goods	Socks

DO I FEEL I AM ENTITLED?

The subject of entitlement has become a hot political topic in recent years. The word “entitlement” is defined as the belief that one is inherently deserving of privileges or special treatment. The United States government has many entitlement programs that provide benefits to eligible individuals who meet specific qualifications as outlined by law. The largest entitlement program is Social Security, of which your humble author is now a recipient. The problem lies with the fact that some folks feel that because others receive benefits, they are entitled to the same benefits whether qualified or not. There are other aspects of entitlement to be considered that are not political nor do they have anything to do with a government program. Growing up in America, some of us may feel entitled to certain luxuries or pleasures provided by hard working parents. Children may feel that they are inherently entitled to a nice car or house because their parents possessed such items. It may even be safe to say that most young people feel entitled to have a cell phone due to the fact that the device encompasses so much of our lives.

When it comes to spiritual matters, how does our sense of entitlement affect how we serve our God? In his blog “The Preacher’s Word”, author Ken Weliever offers four reasons why an attitude of entitlement is contrary to biblical principles. First, with an attitude of entitlement comes pride instead of humility. “God resist the proud but gives grace to the humble.” (James 4:6) Second, there is ingratitude instead of thankfulness. But the Christian is to be thankful and content in all things. (1 Thess. 5:18) Third, entitlement includes selfishness instead of servitude. We are to follow the example of Jesus who came to serve instead of being served. (Mark 10:45) Lastly, the entitled heart is lazy instead of diligent. The bible bluntly says if a person doesn’t work, he will not eat. (2 Thess. 3:10) Christians have made a commitment to the Lord to enthusiastically work in His service and in service to others. (Rom. 12:11; Titus 3:14)

The truth is we are flawed, imperfect, and sinful human beings. We are undeserving of God’s love, mercy and grace and the only thing we are entitled to is condemnation. But God has shown His love for us in the sacrifice and salvation that is in our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 5:8)

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Prayer List: Jim DeJarnett, Jarrod Kline, Jake Light, Charlie King, Harry Ricke, Chuck Cole, Brian May, Dianne Jeans, Marilyn Bartlow, Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Kylie Lock

CHILDREN’S CORNER
 Our Theme for Children’s & Teens Bible Classes for March is “Jesus Came to Earth.” Here is a peek at this month’s lessons, the Big Picture Question and Bible Verse.

March 29—Jesus at the Temple (Luke 2)

Big Picture Question:
 Q: Who is Jesus?
 A: Jesus is the Son of God who came to Earth to save us.
“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life”. —John 3:16

SILVER MAPLE CAMP
 Summer camp will be here before we know it! Camp fees this year are \$275.00 and the church will pay half. If you sign up before May 31, you can save \$25.00. We’ve got camp codes! See Jennifer if you need one.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE

March
 Mar 29—**No Children’s Church**

April
 Apr 05—**Easter/No CC** Apr 12—Linda Wartick
 Apr 19—Audra Hudspeth Apr 26—Darlene Cooney

May
 May 03—Audra Hudspeth May 10—Linda Wartick
 May 17—**Need Volunteer!** May 24—Darlene Cooney

If you can volunteer, please see Darlene Cooney!

Greek of the Week:

In our text this week, the English phrase, “is made void,” is the Greek verb *kenoō*, which can also be translated as “to make useless.”

Paul explains that if we can gain inheritance to Heaven through the Law, then our faith is useless. Praise God for saving us through our faith!

If you are visiting today, welcome! We are glad that you have joined us in worshiping our God. Please feel at home with our family, and let us know how we can serve you!

