

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Aug. 5th	Morning services
8th	Wednesday evening services (Fellowship Hall)
9th	Men's breakfast @ Budget Café
11th	Bridge House meal to be served

BRIDGE HOUSE MEAL

There is a sign-up sheet for the Bridge House meal that is to be served August 11th posted in the foyer. If you would like to support this effort take a moment and check out the list of needs.

***** **POTLUCK DATE CHANGE** *****

The monthly potluck date has changed! It is **next Sunday** after morning services. If you have any questions please see Anna Gastellum.

SIGN UP FOR MEN'S RETREAT

David Senior has placed a sign up sheet in the foyer for the Men's Retreat. It is August 30th– September 2nd. There is a fee of \$25.00 per person this year. If you are interested in going, please get signed up. Spots are limited.

FINAL TOUCHES

As we finish renovations, we have just a bit more tidying to do. If you come across a songbook that is in need of repair please bring it to Shelli. She will be trying to get in touch with someone to have them repaired. If you can think of any other area that we need to polish up please let her know as well. Let's take care of this facility we have been blessed with! Also~ only water will be permitted in the auditorium from now on.



Please no soda, coffee or other drinks! This is in effort to keep everything clean. Many have worked very hard cleaning the pews and with the new carpet it only makes sense.

YOUTH DEVOS

Ryan Bliss is starting Youth Devo's again. The first scheduled one will be at his home on August 17th. If you have any questions or need transportation, please see Ryan.

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

-Angels in heaven rejoice with us with our new sister in Christ **Leslie Sherrill** was baptized Sunday morning. Prayers for her and her husband **Shawn** as she starts her walk with the Lord.
 -Please keep **Sandy Parker Kurtz** and her brother's family in your prayers. She lost her brother Butch this week. He used to worship here when he was younger.
-Please continue to keep those still fighting cancer: Gina Bumgardner, Ron Brabac, and Hazel Thompson, Hazel's family members. Prayers also for those that are caring for them at this time.
 -Please keep **Lynn Nothstein** and her family in your prayers. She has gone out on medical leave. Pray things move swiftly and she may get back to her normal activities soon.
 -Prayers of thanksgiving for returning the **Scharnagel's** as well as **Martha Kretzinger** from their travels. We have many on summer trips also. Pray for safe travels and blessed visits.



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Good, better, best. Never let it rest.
 'Till your good is better and your better is best.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of Truth.
 ~ 2 Timothy 2:15

ENCOURAGING WORDS

Our "Bucket List"

Over the last few years, people have started making lists of the things they want to be sure they accomplish before they die. The term used for these lists is "bucket list." This term is probably used because it contains the goals a person plans to reach before they "kick the bucket."

Let's take this phrase and apply it to some of the characters mentioned throughout the Bible.

David had a "bucket list." Because of the book of Psalms, we know so much about the heart of this godly man. By reading the psalms, we can change our hearts to be like the heart of the man who had a heart like God. It may seem strange, but David only had one item on his "bucket list." *"One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple."* (Psa. 27:4)

Paul had a "bucket list." Paul wrote half of the books of the New Testament and even after all of that had accomplished, He said, *"Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."* (Phil. 3:13-14) He wanted one thing above everything and that was to reach the prize awaiting those who respond to the call of the Lord.

Do you have a "bucket list"? A bucket list may help you to keep focused and give you goals to drive you to do more in your life. However, just make sure that you have something on your list which is like that **one thing** both David and Paul wanted to accomplish and had on their list. "When we've been there then thousand years" you will be thankful for that "One Thing" that was at the top of your list!

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