

Messenger FSBC

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WOMENS' RETREAT—HERE! September 11th & 12th

¹² So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and ^[a]patience; ¹³ bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. ¹⁴ Beyond all these things put on love, which is ^[b]the perfect bond of unity. ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ ^[c]rule in your hearts, to which ^[d]indeed you were called in one body; and ^[e]be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of ^[f]Christ richly dwell within you, ^[g]with all wisdom teaching and admonishing ^[h]one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing ^[i]with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

Ladies, I recently shared about the women's retreat in Salina, Sept 11th & 12th. Due to COVID, the retreat has been cancelled. Let me share with you how this is actually a blessing for all of us. We are still having the retreat, here at the church. We'll be live streaming the teachings of Sara Mae. This means no traveling, and less time away from home and our families and jobs. This will enable more of us to gather together. We don't know the exact details yet, we are waiting to find out the schedule for the live streams.

I do believe with all of my heart, that the Lord wants to grow us closer.

He wants us to be fervent in spirit as He unites our hearts. We will be drawn closer together and to our father with the singular goal to bring Him glory.

I am praying for each one of you as we prepare our hearts by studying our foundational scripture passage, Colossians 3:12-17. I am so excited to see what the Lord has for each one of us and our Women's ministry. My prayer is that many will come and bring someone who needs to meet our Lord and Savior. Often people will come to an event like this

that won't come to a regular church service. He has appointed those he longs to meet in this very place Sept 11th & 12th.

I love each of you ladies and I'm so very blessed and thankful for the opportunity the Lord and our church has given me to serve you.

If you are called by God to help with the women's retreat and be involved in Women's ministry, please let me know. I welcome your help and spiritual gifts and talents.

Thank you,
Julie Hager

Upcoming Events

September

Diaper Shower honoring Myranda Parscal

8th—Women On Mission Resumes

11th & 12th—Women's Retreat—HERE

13th—Potluck, "A Team" Meeting

19th—2 pm Outreach Meeting

24th—5:30 pm Facilities Team Meeting

October

3rd 10am-1pm Shepherd's Party

5th SCASB Annual Meeting in Winfield

11th Potluck, A-Team

12th&13th KNCSB Annual Meeting—CANCELLED

13th 6:30 Women on Mission

22nd 5:30 Facilities Team Meeting

Care Ministry

John 15:12 NASB *This is my commandment that you love one another just as I have loved you.*

As brothers and sisters in Christ, we are commanded to love one another. Loving and serving one another is what the care ministry is all about.

As I have been thinking about and praying about the care ministry, Jesus has spoken to my heart about how this would

look within our church family. He has given me verse after verse about his command to love one another. Here are some of the verses that relate to this new ministry for our church.

Team Leaders needed!

Julie Hager

1 John 4:19 NASB
We Love because He first loved us.

1 Peter 4:10 NASB
As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold Grace of God.

Hebrews 10:24 NASB
And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds.

John 13:34 NASB
A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I loved you, that you also love one another.

Youth Retreat

Our youth enjoyed our retreat to Kansas City August 14-16! We had three speakers that all spoke to the importance of the most important two commandments: Love God, Love Others. They also learned about loving themselves to love others better. The theme of No Limits was to remind them of God's limitless love for us and how our love for Him and others should be limitless as well.

Sunday mornings the youth are working through a book called "20 Youth Lessons to Counter Culture." Encourage your student to join us as we draw nearer to the Lord!

Wednesday evenings Fuel (9th-12th graders) is studying "Faith Commander Teen Edition: Living Five Values from the Parables of Jesus." Ignite is working with Group curriculum and learning tools for life.

Plans are being worked on for fall events so watch for details to come!

Lisa Crook



No Limits

Pastor's Pen

VOTE FOR JESUS!

Greetings Church! Love you Church! I praise God for who you are in Christ and the love you show each other and to all! Even those who have not yet been able to join us in person the last few (too many) months are not far from the thoughts and hearts of those who can gather and we all look forward to the day when we no longer have this "plandemic" hanging over our heads. I have a sneaky suspicion it will be over November 4.

Speaking of politics, I am quite sure you have noticed the political overtones in my sermon series, The Gospel to Our Culture, as I seek to shine the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ upon the issues plaguing our culture today. While you may not agree with my exact political leanings, I take the risk of offending everyone because the political arena has our land's attention these days. Unfortunately, far too many people are looking to our government to right the wrongs in our land. That hope is ill-placed. I have said for years that Washington is broken and powerless. They are very powerful to do as they want but powerless to do as they ought. The power they lack is only found in Jesus Christ. He is THE hope for our land and THE solution for our ills. I use analysis of our political environment to pave the way for the proclamation of the Gospel. I will explain more of my motivation in the sermons coming the next few weeks, so be sure to listen online if you can't join us in person. I hope you will find it inspiring on several levels. By the way, I hope you are sharing them with people you know (even if you don't agree with my political comments) so that the Gospel can go forth.

Sir Edmund Burke once said, "The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for good people to do nothing." As I said in my first sermon of this series, most of the blame for our nation's dark state is



on the Church's failings to get the Gospel to our neighbors, public square, and culture. One major area of failure is with our voting. So many people who identify with the name of Christ have left their faith in truth and righteousness at the door of the polling place. Rather than voting on principles grounded in God's Word, they pull the lever (or dent the chad or partially fill in the oval) (Eek!) based on party loyalty, tradition, self-service, issue-ignorance, popularity, or (worst of all) a separation of personal politics from the principles of Christ. Tragically, some Godly people don't even vote because they either think theirs does not matter or that they should not participate because they are citizens of a greater Kingdom. Good people doing nothing, or the wrong thing.

I hope that will not be the case for our church family. I will be providing voter registration forms in the days to come and voter guides as the election gets close so that we can have informed voters going to the polls to vote their Christian conscience. I can't wait to vote all three times! (Kidding!!)

I know that sometimes no choice on the ballot comes very close to promoting the truth and righteousness of God and His Word. In those cases, considerations must be made about which vote gives the most momentum for the possibility for truth and righteousness to succeed. I, too, have had

Pastor's Pen (Continued)

to hold my nose and vote for someone I view as the least bad option. It is a sickening and hopeless feeling *IF I am only depending on man to fix our problems. I want to at least vote for the people who uphold liberty so that the Gospel of Christ may continue to go forth freely in our land.*

We must always approach our citizen duty through faith in the King of Kings, knowing that Christ is Lord of All, no matter the results of an election. He raises rulers for His purposes which include blessing or punishing a people or nation, the protection of the good public, and the punishment of wrongdoers. We need Christ more than any politician. So let us seek Him together as we do our best to preserve this best, last bastion of freedom in our world.

Children's Department

Wow, what a great way to start our Wednesday night kids club! The children started learning the 23rd psalm in preparation for the shepherds party.

On October 3rd we will be hosting a Shepherd's party at the Greenwell ranch. We will run the bus to pick children up starting at 9 am. Parents are encouraged to join us for this special event. Children will be asked to memorize the 23rd Psalm to earn a tee shirt. So far we have learned verses 1-4.

Our young leader training will start on Sept 6th during the regular service hours. If anyone would like to sign up please let me know.

Nikki McCarthy

Operation Christmas Child

Time to start collecting again!

As you know, school has started back up and that means school supplies will be going on sale!! This is a good thing for our OCC shoeboxes. We pack school supplies so that the child who receives the box will have the chance to go to school. Most of the time children without school supplies cannot attend school unlike here in the states. Here is a list of items that are good to pack:

- *pencils and sharpener
- *erasers
- *crayons (colored pencils and markers are awesome as well)
- *notebook paper, either loose or in a notebook
- *other items: pens, stick glue(NO LIQUID), scissors

In October we will have a focus on certain items each week to bring. Be looking for those in the October newsletter and announcements.

We hope to have our packing party the 2nd Wednesday of November. Remember you can also grab a shoe box and pack one on your own or go to www.samaritanspurse.org/buildabox where you can pack a shoebox online without having to go to the store.

Karen Leibbrandt
OCC year-round volunteer
www.samaritanspurse.org



Mission Dignity

They were there to point you to Christ.

They were there to pray with and for you.

They were there as the hands and feet of Christ in
your life.

Now, they need your help.

Many pastors served in small churches that were unable to compensate them enough to plan for retirement. They served faithfully, and now they need our help.

Today, Mission Dignity helps nearly 1,700 individuals and couples with monthly grant assistance that allows them to pay for basic necessities like food, utilities and medications. All of this is possible because the care and compassion of people like you and churches like ours. We have a small portion of our monthly budget directed towards mission dignity. You can choose to bless retired pastors by giving your own gift as well.

For more information visit MissionDignity.org

Viola Webb

The Viola Webb Missions Offering offering benefits mission causes in the Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists and your local association. Receipts are split 50/50 between KNCSB and the association where the money was given, for us that is SCASB (South Central Association of Southern Baptists). The offering is named for Viola Webb, who directed Kansas-Nebraska Woman's Missionary Union for 25 years. One of the things that Southern Baptists do best, is sponsoring our missionaries. In other Words, we don't expect them to go from person to person and church to church begging for money to support themselves on the mission field. Programs like Viola Webb allow our missionaries to focus on God's call for them—serving others.

The link below will take you to more information about Viola Webb.

<http://knscsb.org/sending/viola-webb-a-look-at-her-life/>

Programs Resume

Sundays: Sunday School **9:30 am**, Worship **10:45 am**

Mondays 6:15 pm Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays 5:45 am Men's Group at Spangles

2nd Tuesday of the month **6:30 pm** Women's Group

Wednesday Nights 6:15 pm Children and Youth, **6:30 pm** Adult Bible Study

Birthdays and Anniversaries

September

1st—Charles Greenwell, Melynda Wint

2nd—Rebecca Phillips

3rd—Austin & Ulala Prewit

5th—Madilyn Lemaster

6th—Karen Leibbrandt, Shawn Luehrs

7th—Jill Greenwell

8th—David & Susan Fyffe

9th—Alma Allmond, Tim Boender, Emma Leibbrandt

11th—Agnes Leibbrandt

12th—James Davidson, David Fyffe, Ezekiel Kreusel, James Todroff

13th—Christine Brickley, Sandy Dewitt, Tony & Connie Allmond

14th—Laura Luehrs, Dan & Brenda Sherman

16th—Tom Faudere

21st—Spencer Simpson

22nd—Craig Webb, Joe & Deb Reinert

26th—Kardyn Nielsen

27th—Skyler Simpson, Jesse & Kendall Lemaster

29th—Deb Spencer, Micah Wint

October

2nd—Emily Webb

4th—Jeff McCarthy, Penny Stephens

8th—Norma Boss

9th—Greg Branaman

10th—Ida Leibbrandt

11th—Ryan Luehrs

13th—Diane Goertz, Tony & Connie Allmond

18th—Obadiah Leibbrandt

21st—Terry & Penny Stephens

22nd—Mary Lou Moody

24th—John McCarthy, Jack Terrell

27th—Lawanda Borger

31st—Deacon & Janna Davis

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 4 PM Church Game night and Dinner At Brickley's. Taco Meat provided, bring toppings, lawn chair, swim items. We will celebrate Austin and Ujala's 60 th Anniversary	31	1 Charles G., Melynda W. Homeschool Group Resumes	2	3 Austin & Ujala P.	4	5 Madilyn L..
6 Karen L., Shawn L.	7 Jill G.	8 Women on Mission Resumes	9 Alma A., Emma L.	10	11 Agnes L.	12 James T.
13 Christine B., Sandy D. Tony & Connie A. Potluck "A-Team" 1:30 pm	14 Laura L.	15 Dan & Brenda S.,	16 Tom F.	17	18	19 2 PM Outreach Meeting
20	21 Spencer S.	22 Craig W., Joe & Deb R.	23	24 5:30 PM Facilities Meeting	25	26 Kardyn N.
27 Skyler S.	28	29 Deb S.	30	1	2 Emily W.	3 10am-1pm Shepherd's Party

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27 Skyler S.	28	29 Deb S.	30	1	2 Emily W.	3 10am-1pm Shepherd's Party
4 Penny S.	5 SCASB Annual Meeting	6	7	8 Norma B.	9 Greg B.	10 Ida L
11 Ryan L Potluck, A-Team	12	13 Diane G. Tony & Connie A. 6:30 Women on Mission	14	15	16	17
18 Obadiah L.	19	20	21 Terry & Penny S.	22 Mary Lou M., Tristyn A. 5:30 Facilities Team Meeting	23	24 John Mc, Jack T.
25	26	27 Lawanda B.	28	29	30 Trick or Treat Down the Street	31 Deacon & Janna D.

Diaper Shower honoring Myranda Parscal

We would like to help the Parscal family in welcoming their little blessing by showering them with much needed diapers and wipes. Instead of a traditional shower there will be a table set up in the foyer where you can leave your gift **throughout the month of September**. If you have any questions, contact Tina Baca or Karen Leibbrandt. Thanks!