

# THE BROADCASTER

July 26, 2023

## Pastor's Piece

The 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup kicked off in Auckland, New Zealand on July 20, 2023, with 32 teams for the first time in the tournament's history. I've been watching the highlights of some of the games. Do you wonder who I'm rooting for at this world cup? I've been cheering on two teams, the U.S. Women's national team and the South Korea Women's national team. I'm not sure which team will I be cheering on if the U.S. team and Korea team play. It's going to be very difficult. Anyway, soccer is a team sport. So, in my opinion, no matter how great a player you have in your team, if there is no one who could assist and support them and run together, they are not going to win. No matter how long they could run, alone how many skills you have, when there is a player next to you who runs together and moves with good passes and assists, he or she is not going to score a goal and the team will struggle to win.

I think the same is true with the church community. No matter how well one or two people do, if there is no one who could run, help, and move together, they are going to experience burnout and the church is going to struggle. Church is not a place where Superman or Superwoman moves. No matter how small a task is, God is glorified when the person who handles the small things and the person who handles the big things work together.

The Apostle Paul also says in 1 Corinthians 12 that there are many members of our body. One member cannot say to another member that you are not the body because you are less important. Furthermore, it says that the weak members of the body are more precious. It doesn't matter who is more important or less important. It's important to fit together because the church is not a building, but the 'body of Christ.' So, everyone in the body of Christ is important and things that each one of them does is so special!

I strongly feel the need for unity and diversity that every single part of the body has a different function that is absolutely essential. Whether you are a big part or a small part, we all work together for God's church, for His glorification and for the common good. Because we are the members of one body, the body of Christ. Brothers and sisters, the FUMCVC needs you. Come run with us. We would love you to join us as we run the race we've been given by God.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Ji



# OUR PRAYERS FOR

## Those Within the Church

**Judy Freed, Sue Hadley, Dean Killen, Monica McClure, Tammy Taylor, Doug Vannaman**

### Our Leaders

Law Enforcement Officers in our community and in the nation, the persecuted Christians around the world.  
God's Guidance and Strength for President Biden, Our Troops and their Families

### Our Military

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| † Michael Barbett – Darryl & Val Wall's son-in-law              | † CPL Jay McDoniel  |
| † CPL Cody Blair – Judy Lann's grandson                         | † Erik Nott & family – Doug & Gay Vannaman's son-in-law     |
| † Dennis Burns Jr (DJ) – Dennis Burns Sr & Lisa Soetebier's son | † MSGT Leah Oakleaf – Walt & Janet Southards' granddaughter |
| † Lt. Col. Adam Coffman – Gladys Coffman's grandson             | † SGT Steven Pearce – Walt & Janet Southards' nephew        |
| † Kristopher Dewitt – Mary Stout's grandson                     | † Erik Ralsten  |
| † Chance Greenhoff – Army                                       | † CPL Bethany Reeves McDoniel                               |
| † James Harris (MP) – Bill & Joy Page's grandson                | † AIC Bradley Southards – Walt & Janet Southards' grandson  |
| † Austin Kroeger  | † Joey Thiessen   |

### Upcoming Studies

clutter free  
WHAT JESUS HAS TO SAY ABOUT YOUR STUFF



A 6-WEEK BIBLE STUDY with KATHI LIPP

The Progressive Class will begin a new study on **Monday, July 31**. *Clutter Free: Quick and Easy Steps to Simplifying Your Space* by Kathi Lipp. If you've ever wished you could clear out your clutter, simplify your space, and take back your life, Kathi Lipp's new book has just the solutions you need. Do any of these descriptions apply to you? 1) You bought a book and put it on your nightstand (right on top of ten others you've bought recently), but you have yet to open it. 2) You keep hundreds of DVDs around even though you watch everything online now and aren't really sure where the remote for the DVD player is. 3) You spend valuable time moving your piles around the house, but you can never find that piece of paper when you need it. 4) Your house doesn't make you happy when you step into it. As you try out the many easy, doable solutions that helped Kathi win her battle with clutter, you'll begin to understand why you hold on to the things you do, eliminate what's crowding out real life, and make room for the life of true abundance God wants for you. **Cost of the book is \$4.00 and we meet Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.**

**NEW SERMON SERIES:** Are you facing a fear, doubt, or discouragement? Yes, we all have those moments in life and a lot of times those moments would keep us from following the will of God for our lives. On **Sunday, August 13** we will begin a new three-week sermon series called "Overcome" with the issue of fear, doubt, and discouragement. We hope the series will help us and teach us how to overcome when we face fear, doubt, or discouragement. Come join us.





# August

BIRTHDAYS

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|----|------------------|----|-----------------|----|-------------------|
| 2  | Ryder Neally     | 3  | Nancy Lafferty  | 3  | Julie Schultz     |
| 4  | Morgan Wiebe     | 5  | Rusty Southards | 5  | Joe Dessenberger  |
| 5  | Kristi Kennedy   | 6  | Rhonda Clark    | 7  | Ashley Wingate    |
| 8  | Cris Brownlee    | 10 | Rebecca Schultz | 11 | Elisha Stone      |
| 12 | Slayde Spaulding | 12 | Gabriel Waite   | 13 | Erin Tormey       |
| 13 | Carson Neally    | 15 | Adam Dunn       | 15 | Avery Williams    |
| 16 | Steve Holmes     | 16 | Mike Neal       | 17 | Jane Diehl        |
| 18 | Amy Edwards      | 19 | Mike Smith      | 20 | Jeffrey Ju        |
| 21 | Adrian Stockdale | 21 | Maggie Spratt   | 23 | Kyleigh Rice      |
| 23 | Virginia Jost    | 24 | Jonathan Girtz  | 24 | Aggie Melton      |
| 25 | Don Myers        | 26 | Duane Carlson   | 27 | Gregg Howell      |
| 28 | Connie Davis     | 28 | Erin Reffner    | 29 | Jeffrey Stockwell |
| 31 | Sue Blickenstaff | 31 | Roy McFarland   |    |                   |



# August

ANNIVERSARIES

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|----|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 4  | Phil & Sondra Lampe    | 7  | Craig & Susan Scribner |
| 8  | Chuck & Feryl Potter   | 8  | Wayne & Joan Sawyer    |
| 9  | Dale & Judy Wilson     | 12 | Steve & Sue Livengood  |
| 14 | Mike & Charla McNown   | 14 | Tony & Olivia Wilbur   |
| 16 | Brad & Lisa Diehl      | 24 | Gary & Judy Long       |
| 27 | Jack & Anne Wilson     | 30 | Bruce & Lynne Chappell |
| 31 | Ron & Jeanette Stanley |    |                        |



**WEEKLY:**

| SUNDAYS                        | MONDAYS                       | TUESDAYS | WEDNESDAYS  | THURSDAYS | FRIDAYS                     |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Traditional<br>Worship 9:00a   | Soul Trainers<br>10:00a WCC   |          | JOY Group<br>9:30a FS                             |           | Soul Trainers<br>10:00a WCC |
| Sunday School<br>10:00a        | Progressive<br>Class 7:00p FS |          | Soul Trainers<br>10:00a WCC                       |           |                             |
| Contemporary<br>Worship 11:00a |                               |          | Chancel Choir<br>5:00p SAN<br><i>(August 23)</i>  |           |                             |
|                                |                               |          | WOW ZONE!<br>6:00p Basement<br><i>(August 23)</i> |           |                             |
|                                |                               |          | UMYF<br>6:00p WCC                                 |           |                             |

**SPECIAL:**

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| Valley Center<br>First Day of School<br>Thursday, August 10          | Eat, Pray, Quilt...Whatever<br>Friday, August 11<br>11:00 a.m. | Lunch & Learn / Newton<br>Thursday, August 17         |
| WOW ZONE! CARNIVAL<br>Sunday, August 20<br>6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. WCC | Chancel Choir Begins<br>Wednesday, August 23<br>5:00 p.m.      | WOW ZONE! Begins<br>Wednesday, August 23<br>6:00 p.m. |

**SCOUTING GROUPS:**

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| Adventure Crew<br>First Mondays 6:00 p.m. | Girl Scout Troop 40021<br>First & Third Mondays 6:00 p.m.   | Girl Scout Troop 40316<br>First & Third Mondays 6:00 p.m. |
| Boy Scout Troop 494<br>Mondays 7:00 p.m.  | Girl Scout Troop 40870<br>Tuesdays 6:00 p.m.                | Cub Scouts Pack 494<br>Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.                 |
|   | Girl Scout Troop 40037<br>First & Third Thursdays 7:15 p.m. |   |

## fumcvc's GOINGS ON...

Eat, Pray, Quilt...Whatever will meet **Friday, August 11** at 11:00 a.m. in the WCC. Please bring a craft to work on and a salad to share.

Our August Lunch and Learn takes us to Newton. We will leave at 8:30 a.m. on **Thursday, August 17** and should return about 4:00 p.m. Contact the office to get your name on the list!

### ***Book Club will not meet in August.***

September's Book Club selection is *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee. Among New York Times Top Ten Books of the Year and National Book Award finalist, this novel details the four generations of an immigrant family as they fight to control their destiny in 20th-century Japan. When teenaged Sunja discovers she is pregnant—and her lover is married—she accepts an offer of marriage from a gentle, sickly minister passing through Korea on his way to Japan. But her decision sets off a dramatic saga that echoes through the generations. From bustling street markets to the halls of Japan's finest universities to the pachinko parlors of the criminal underworld, Lee's complex and passionate characters survive and thrive against the indifferent arc of history. We will meet **Wednesday, September 27** at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. *The church has a limited number of books available for \$6 each.*

Branson Getaway – **November 1-3, 2023** – Bus trip through Village Tours. Highlights include The Oak Ridge Boys in concert and “Queen Esther” at the Sight and Sound Theatre. Contact the office for more details. Interested? Please call 1.800.333.0312 to book by phone or book online at [vtravel.live/brasonvcumc](http://vtravel.live/brasonvcumc). Reservations and a down payment are due soon. The balance is due September 2, 2023.

## Ways to Give

August's giving for Open Door and the Valley Center Food Pantry is canned meat. **Donations can be brought to the middle foyer and put in the storage cabinet on the south wall.**

## Ways to Serve

Valley Center's Back to School Supply Give Away is looking for volunteers. If you can help any time **Saturday, August 5** from 8:00 a.m. until noon at the Intermediate School, you are needed! Please contact Phoebe McCormick for more details. The back to school supply give away is short handed at the moment.



Tammy Taylor has been battling an unknown illness for quite some time. If you would like to send her a cheery card, her address is 325 Valley Park Drive, Valley Center, Kansas 67147.

# FIFTH SUNDAY / YOUTH MISSION TRIP PRESENTATION

On Sunday, July 30 we will have one worship service at 9:00 a.m. followed by a Fifth Sunday Brunch in the WCC. During our time in the WCC, the youth will give a presentation about their Mission Trip to Colorado.





## Blessing of the Backpacks

**Sunday, August 6** at both worship services. Administrators, board members, teachers, and of course students of all ages are encouraged to bring their backpacks, tote bags, briefcases, etc to be blessed before the school year begins.

### WOW ZONE! CARNIVAL

**Sunday, August 20**

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | WCC

Inflatables & Games

Hot Dogs, Chips, & Cookies!

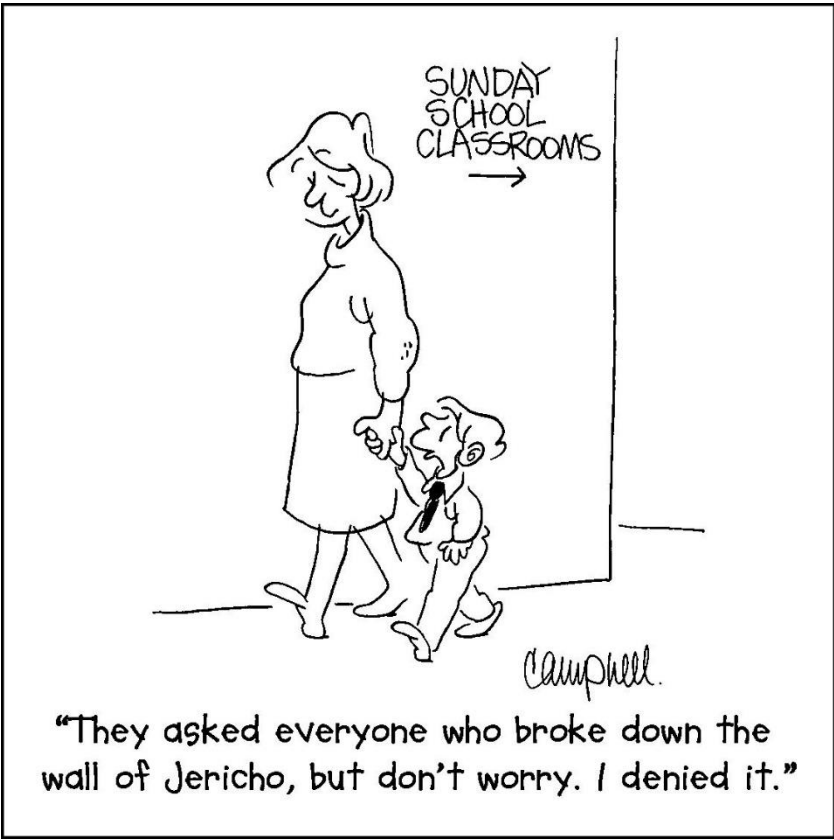
Meet Your WOW ZONE! Teachers



Chancel Choir Rehearsals begin **Wednesday, August 23** at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are welcome to join!

WOW ZONE! For kids ages 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade resumes **Wednesday, August 23** at 6:00 p.m. Please use Entrance C.





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