

## The Peacemakers

***“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.”  
St Matthew 5: 9***

How often do people do evil in the name of God? How often has the name of God been used as a cloak for greed and aggression? Even wars have been called **holy**. The name of God has been desecrated by oaths and curses, called down as an excuse for violence. People have laid the blame for their sins on God’s doorstep, seemingly unaware that the essence of God is not retribution and anger but love.

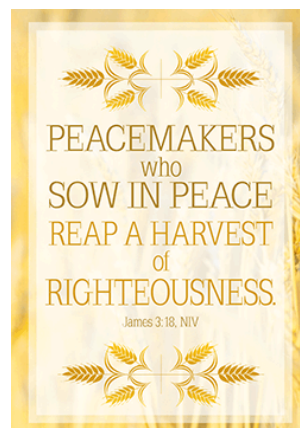
Christ, the Prince of Peace, said, “Love one another as I have loved you.” “Turn the other cheek.” “Go the extra mile.” “Pray for those who persecute you.” “Love your enemies.” “You have heard it said, Thou shalt not kill, but I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment.”

The word of God is love, his message is peace, and the children of God are peacemakers.

Lord, when angry voices are raised by us and those against us, may your peace be on our lips; when evil is being thought and said by us and those against us, may your words of tolerance and compassion be in our hearts; when jealousy or spite is around us, may your reconciling love be in our minds; when injury or hurt is caused by us and those against us, may your healing power be in our hands; when dark injustice clouds the innocent, may your wisdom light our paths.

May all Christians and peacemakers walk the walk of Christ’s teachings to heal the brokenness of the world.

Blessings,  
Pastor Paul



## ***Sunday School will be starting soon!!***



***Our Kick-Off 'Rally Day' is on  
Sunday, September 8, 2019 from  
8:45-9:45 am..***

***We cannot wait to see you!***

**The 3rd Graders will receive their very own Bible during worship service that morning.**



**Would you be interested in leading the Adult Sunday School class?  
Please contact the office or Education committee. (Roxanne Lewis, our chairperson)**

### **Thoughts from your Lay Leader: Cindy Morse**

It is amazing to realize that here we are at the first of August, where has the summer gone? The month of August has been known as the "dog days of summer." How are we to fill up these dog days of summer?

We as Christians should do our very best to Live in the Truth and the truth is as it states in John 14: 6-7, Jesus is telling Thomas, one of the disciples, *that "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him"*.



Christ's kingdom isn't about appearances, it's about truth. Jesus is the truth because he is the way to God; because he is the source of true life.

Christ's kingdom isn't about appearances at all. It is about truth: with truth that goes beyond what the physical eye can see.

If we have accepted Jesus as the truth, then we must learn not to rely on appearances as a guide for our life, but instead on his word. Don't let appearances tell you otherwise. We live in the Kingdom of God, where Jesus is the truth. Right now, we can only see partially. But the more we trust in him, the more he will lead you through his Spirit, into all truth. John 16: 13. Let's all live in the truth, these dog days of summer and all year long.

### **Servants for AUGUST**

#### **Greeters/Ushers**

***Please remember to count and record attendance.***

- August 4 Ron & Bev Crooks, Wayne & Jasmine Gaston
- August 11 Gary & Colleen Schulz, Dennis & Lisa Sparks
- August 18 Jerry & JoEllen Krug, Teri Klockner, Pat Palmer
- August 25 Shawn & Amanda Sheffler, Rod & Jessica Albertsen

#### **Liturgists**

- August 4 Amanda Sheffler
- August 11 Cindy Morse
- August 18 Lynne Peters
- August 25 Kathy Hart

#### **Communion-August 4**

- Set up Jasmine Gaston
- Server Pastor Paul



#### **Fellowship**

**Trustees Committee**

## Outreach Opportunities

Our congregation has such a heart to help others. We used some birthday box gifts to help Jaxton, the five year old who had tumors on his back. Each week 41 bags of food are packed here for local kids. Thank you to all who have helped with this work. It will continue until school starts.



At this time of year, do you think about a new box of crayons? We hope you will give crayons and all the other items on the school bag list. These school supplies are given to kids in the United States, and they are to encourage them to enjoy their schooling.

The Bible teaches that we are to help those who cannot help themselves. We recognize what a difficult situation people who have crossed our Southern border are in. We are not taking a political view but we that there is a need for clothing and hygiene items. We have been in contact with St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Tucson. They have an outreach called Inn Project that helps families with children in transition with basic needs of life. If you would like to help, we are collecting gently used baby and children's clothing, adult clothing sizes small and medium, small toys and children's books, hygiene items including soap. Tooth brushes, toothpaste, towels, etc. We will be collecting through the month of August.

May God bless you.

### JULY REVIEW

Date	General Budget
July 7	\$3,820.00
July 14	\$1,378.00
July 21	\$2,838.25
Needed monthly:	\$13,352.00



*May your financial gifts  
to the church touch people's  
lives and hearts.*



## Church Auction

Sunday, November 10, 2019



### Are you ready?

*Three months remain until our annual Church Auction.*

You still have time to decide what your contribution will be to this years "heart and hands" auction. There is so much talent and creativity in the walls of our church and we should all be willing to share it with others. We encourage everyone, young and old alike, to share their time and talents toward this annual event.

We would like to start making a list of what everyone plans to contribute so we can put together our advertising plan for the auction. A sheet will be in the back of the sanctuary where you can put your name and what you plan to contribute to the auction, or you can email Carolyn at the church office and let her know.

# UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Summer is quickly coming to an end and of course that means School will soon be starting. That is the signal to start filling the School Bags. Most of the stores have the items on sale right now. If you would like to donate but don't enjoy shopping we can always use money to pay for the shipping. If you have any questions please call Colleen Schulz. Let's see if we can top the total of School Bags that we filled last year.

Bible Conference will be starting July 27 through August 4, 2019. A group will be going Monday, July 29, if you would like a ride. Please call Pat Benda if you are interested. A schedule of the weekly events and speakers can be found on the bulletin board by Carolyn's office. If you have any questions please call Pat Benda.

Please be sure to mark your calendars with the date of our Annual Salad Supper, September 19, 2019 at 6:30PM. We will be inviting the ladies from the surrounding towns. Our program this year will be presented by our own Ken & Charlene Heiar. Watch for more information in our church bulletin.

Our Bible Verse for August is found in Psalm 100.

*"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing. Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his, we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."*



*Enjoy the rest of Summer and watch out for the kids when school starts.*

Blessings to you and your loved ones.

Pat and Charlene

## School Bag Kit

- ◆ 3 Notebooks - 1 subject spiral 8"x 10 1/2"
  - ◆ 1 Ruler - 12" long with metric
  - ◆ 6 Pencils - unsharpened with no advertising
  - ◆ 1 Pencil Sharpener
  - ◆ 1 Pencil Eraser - 2" or larger
  - ◆ 1 Box 12 Colored Pencils
  - ◆ 1 Box 24 Crayons
  - ◆ 1 Pair of Scissors - student round tip
- Put in cloth bag or plastic bag.



## Layette Kit


- ◆ 6 Cloth Diapers
- ◆ 2 Gowns or Sleepers
- ◆ 2 Onesies or Undershirts
- ◆ 2 Infant Washcloths - No adult washcloths
- ◆ 2 Diaper Pins - must have protective plastic closures
- ◆ 1 Sweater, Sweatshirt or Jacket - knitted, crocheted or sewn with front opening - No ties or buttons
- ◆ 2 Receiving Blankets - 28"x 28" to 32"x 32" - No crib, fleece or thermal blankets
- ◆ Bundle items inside one of the blankets and secure with diaper pins

*Thank you for all the ways you help kids!*



# august



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Fitness @ 6 pm	2	3 Fitness @ 8 am
4 Worship Service 10 am	5 Office Closed Fitness @ 6 pm Shawl Ministry 7 pm	6 Trustees 7 pm Outreach 5:30 pm	7 Finance 6:30 pm Education 7 pm	8 Fitness @ 6 pm	9	10 Fitness @ 8 am
11 Worship Service 10 am	12 Office Closed Fitness @ 6 pm Shawl Ministry 7 pm	13 Council 6:30 pm	14 Prayer 9:30	15 Fitness @ 6 pm	16	17 Fitness @ 8 am
18 Worship Service 10 am	19 Office Closed Fitness @ 6 pm Shawl Ministry 7 pm	20	21 Peace Circle 9 am Prayer 9:30 am	22 Fitness @ 6 pm	23  SCHOOL'S IN SESSION	24 Fitness @ 8 am
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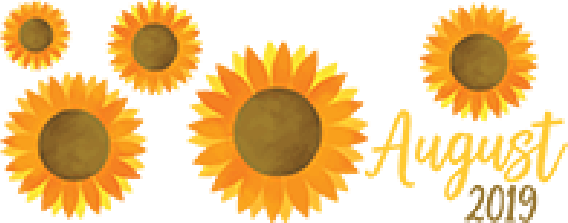
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