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Sunday School Orientation for Parents and Children Sunday, Sept. 12, 10:30 – 10:50 a.m.

All Sunday School children and their parents (or grandparents) are asked to attend an orientation in the church sanctuary on the first day of Sunday School, Sept. 12, from 10:30 – 10:50.

Superintendents Lynn Rhodes and Eileen Miller are looking forward to introducing you to the teachers and staff, provide guidelines for child safety, and giving you a glimpse of the faith-filled and fun goals for the Sunday School year.

At 10:50, children will be dismissed with their teachers to their classes. Adults may be interested in the Fellowship Forum, 10:50 – 11:30 featuring Pastor Gloria Dovre, Assistant to the Bishop, and lay leaders from the Lao ministry in Des Moines. The Forum and Sunday School classes are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

Don't forget donuts and beverages for all ages served from 10:00 – 10:25 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall prior to the Sunday School activities. Start the new year with Christian friends, old and new: see you September 12!

An Invitation to Worship *From a Sixth Grade Student*

Dear Memorial Lutheran Church,

The Lord be with you!

We would like to invite you to worship God with us every week because we have understanding pastors willing to listen to you, classes on Wednesday nights for those who want to come, and many ministries for those who wish to help others in their faith.

Memorial is a great place for people of all ages to worship God, and all people are welcome to come.



***2,000 years ago, Aristotle said, "We are what we repeatedly do."
What do you repeatedly do to grow more deeply in faith and love?
Wouldn't the habit of regular worship be a good place to start this fall?***

The Living Creed—Where Do You See God at Work?

Each time we gather for worship, we stand to speak about God's activity in history. Usually we use the words of the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed. "We believe in one God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth..."

God's activity is not limited to the past! We experience God's presence, forgiveness, help and healing every day. What if we spoke about these experiences to one another—a Living Creed? "I believe that God was present in the tomatoes we harvested from the garden this week." "I believe that God spoke to me through the question of my six year-old." "I believe that God is caring for my aging mother through the help of her neighbor." "I saw God at work in the help given to flood victims in Pakistan."

This fall, after we hear the sermon, sing a hymn and say the creed together, we are going to invite everyone in worship (boys and girls, men and women) to turn to a neighbor and briefly tell a neighbor where they saw God at work in the past week—a Living Creed. We won't use fancy words. It won't take long.

The practice of telling one another where we saw God at work may help us: (1) be more attentive and mindful of God's activity during the week; (2) get to know one another in a richer way; (3) practice talking about God, so that we are more comfortable talking about God away from church; and (4) give thanks to God.

For more information, please visit with council members Phyllis Fevold, Brad Cross, Eric Dalthorp, or Pastors Myron and David.

Website Redesign Gets Council Go-Ahead

The Church Council received a report from Kevin Johnson, chairperson of the technology working group, at the Aug. 18 meeting. The working group has met many times this summer to carefully plan a re-design of our church's website. We are seeking an inviting, easy-to-use website for both those who are "church-shopping" and those who regularly participate in our congregation's activities. The key purpose of the website is access to information about our church's activities with these goals:

- easy-to-use, intuitive
- designed for regular, repeated use (thus, easy to refresh and renew)
- quick-loading
- conveys warm relationships (with God and others)

The working group interviewed three website design companies and recommended Saltech of Ames, IA. Funding for the website design will be provided by the 2009 Ministry Endowment Grant for technology; website hosting will be a monthly general fund expense (\$40/month). The council approved these plans.

The redesigned website is expected to be operational by mid-fall.

Raising Up Spiritual Leaders for Church Council

Here at Memorial Lutheran Church, the nomination process for our spiritual leaders is the work of the entire congregation. Instead of a worldly election process, we seek to discern God's will together. (Discernment means to distinguish between God's will and our self-will.)

We invite all voting members of Memorial Lutheran Church to be praying in these weeks of preparation before the "churchly" ballot for church council members, Sept. 18-19.



Pray that God will help us identify persons to nominate to be a church council member. Pray that these persons might be given wisdom to know whether or not this is the right time for them to serve on the church council.

On Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 18-19, in the context of worship itself, all voting members will be invited to write the name of one member of Memorial that they believe has the gifts, skills and vision to be one of the spiritual leaders for the 2011-2013 term. This is called an "ecclesiastical" (churchly) ballot, following the pattern of the disciples who discerned that Justus and Matthias had the gifts to be the 12th disciple.

We expect God will lead us to write the names of many persons on the nomination ballot. In the weeks following the ballot, members of the current Church Council will personally visit every person who has been nominated by the congregation. They will provide a devotional guide, a description of council responsibilities, and a vision of spiritual leadership. We will invite them into a period of prayer and Bible study, conversation with current leaders and members, and observation of a council meeting.

Those persons nominated will notify the congregation by Oct. 28 whether God is leading them to be on the ballot as a council member. The election will take place during the worship services on Sat. and Sun. Nov. 20-21.

Four church council members are concluding their terms. They are Kenzie Alderson, Eric Dalthorp, Phyllis Fevold, and Bert Ann Ray. These persons are eligible for re-election if they are nominated on the ecclesiastical ballot, and if their prayer leads them to be placed on the ballot for another term.

We hope you will fully participate by attending the worship services Sept. 18-19 and Nov. 20-21; and by praying daily that God will raise up another group of spiritual leaders for our Church Council.

Music Notes

Now that the handbells have arrived, we are busy making plans for how and when they will be used. As with anything new or different, it's often a good idea to keep members informed about what is going on, so I decided to write this article. I'm going to start by sharing a brief history of bells in worship, and also tell some of the guidelines for using bells that have evolved through the centuries. My information is from the booklet, "Handbells in the Liturgy" published in 1994 by Concordia Publishing House.

Bells have been a part of worship for a very long time. References in the book of Exodus indicate that bells were included in early Hebrew worship as an instrument of praise. In some of the Psalms we hear the word cymbals used. When translated, the medieval Latin term *cymbala* actually means "bells."

One unique characteristic of bells is their ability to sustain a given tone for an extended length of time. This trait is one of the reasons why bells have had a strong presence in so many different spiritual rituals. By the 15th century bells had become the best instrument to use for giving the pitch for someone singing during worship. This was especially the case when music was part of a procession.

As Christianity grew and eventually became an officially accepted religion, people in a community were often summoned to a worship gathering by the ringing of bells. Through the years bells became a communication system for many communities. They were even used to announce upcoming storms. People grew to recognize different bells and what it meant when each bell was ringing. A bell called the death knell would sound when someone was dying, and many came to believe that the ringing bell somehow aided the dying person's journey into the afterlife. It is easy to see how eventually bells somehow became associated with many superstitions. Early reformers like Luther knew it was important to eliminate these connotations but they still felt that bells could and should play an important role during worship.

In churches like Lutheran, Anglican and Catholic, the nature of liturgical worship has had a big influence on the way handbells are now used. Throughout the history of the Lutheran church, the primary function of all musical instruments has been to support the singing of the congregation or choir. For this reason congregations are encouraged to keep one very important principle in mind: Bell ringing must be an agent of the sacred Word of Scripture, and must primarily serve the order of the liturgy. This probably means the less we notice the ringing of the bells, the more successful they are begin at filling their liturgical role.

As we work through the process of planning how we will use our new bells, we are trying to keep this important guideline in mind. We look forward to being able to give you the chance to hear the bells ringing during worship very soon. We also welcome anyone interested in participating in this new ministry to call the church office or contact Lois Theesfield.

Barb Toot, Worship and Music Minister

From the Parish Life Director

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Phillippians 4:13

Riding my bike on Ragbrai was good for me this year. This was my fourth Ragbrai and I must say, it was the best yet. Ragbrai is a week of mostly riding a bike. Yes, there's some walking; some sleeping; some eating – but for the most part it's all about pedaling from the west side of the state to the east side. Looking back on the week, here's a glimpse of what I cherish.

The quiet moments. My favorite time was riding as the sun came up. A new day. Peaceful and quiet. Full of hope. There's something extra special about sharing an appreciation for the beauty of God's creation in the early, early morning with the other riders.

The challenge. One faces a bit of a physical challenge pedaling across the state. Iowa is not flat. I grew to appreciate the up hills, at least most of them. When the road was flat I could see well beyond and what was ahead of me. The up hills though, allowed for some sweet surprises at the top, pastures with horses, someone with garden hose ready with a cool spray of water, or a chance to look down into a gorgeous valley. The up hills were necessary and enriched the ride.

The simplicity. I had a bike, a tent, and some clothes. That was it. No air conditioning. No toaster. As I pedaled I noticed how much I was enjoying less "stuff". Then my thoughts went to abundance. Harmony Clothing Closet will be seeing some boxes from me. Enough said.

The vulnerability. A week away on Ragbrai riding in unfamiliar territory every day allowed me to get comfortable asking for help. And, there was always a trusted resource available if I looked for one. Each town had volunteers wearing t-shirts clearly marked "Ask Me". They were the go-to resource. Much like the written word of the Bible is in daily life and much like the people of Memorial are as a community of faith.

The gratitude. I was resting in a yard under a shade tree and a child brought me a small glass of ice water. Hospitality. Small things.

The perseverance. Were there times I wanted to quit? Sure. Riding in the rain was the worst riding situation I've been in, yet I had to get to the destination, the goal, the next town. Others riding along the way had the same goals in mind. We found comfort in each other, helped each other along the way, and celebrated when we reached our goal.

This all translates back to daily life, renewal, and spiritual growth. The experience has deepened my appreciation for quiet moments; for up hills and the sweet surprises they bring; for my greater understanding of the value of simplicity; for being open to ask questions and find answers in the Bible; for gratitude for small things; and for others in a community of faith on this journey with me from which I can give and get strength and support. Life is good. Pedal on.

Jodi K

Handbell Rehearsals Have Begun

The first meeting of the handbell choir and substitutes was Sunday, August 29 following worship. The handbell ringers were introduced during the Parish Notices. We look forward to welcoming the ringers and bells during our worship services soon.

This fall our newly formed choir will have the opportunity to attend a workshop in Des Moines on October 9. The workshop is sponsored by the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers taught by master teachers. This will be a great event for our new choir members to attend.

Online Continuing Education Classes

Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque offers 8 week online classes for lay leaders, pastors, or anyone interested in lifelong learning. Each course is taught by Wartburg professors at a cost of \$250 per course. Classes begin September 13.

Fall Courses:

- *God and the World in Christ: The Christian Narrative*
- *Engaging the Gospels-Perspectives on Following Jesus*
- *Beyond Maintenance to Mission*

For more information about these courses visit www.wartburgseminary.edu.

Story County Thrivent Chapter Invite

Church Basement Ladies-A Second Helping

Thrivent members are invited to reserve a ticket to see this matinee performance at Hoyt Sherman Place in Des Moines on Saturday, March 20, 2011. Tickets need to be reserved by November 1. The cost is \$50 for your ticket and transportation from Bethesda in Ames to the play. Each member may invite one additional friend. To reserve your tickets call Rod or Ingrid Place at 515-292-7513.

Food at First (Ames and Nevada)

Memorial will once again partner with our friends from St. Patrick's to prepare and serve the Food at First Ames meal on Thursday, September 30. Please watch the Count Me In slips or call the church office to register.

Food at First Nevada will continue to serve Mondays and Thursdays at 5:30 pm. Memorial prepares and serves the third Thursday of the month.

Harmony Clothing Closet News

Harmony Clothing Closet is open Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon and Monday nights 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. You are invited and welcome to volunteer any time that fits your schedule.

Are you wondering why we ask for so many volunteers so often at Harmony? Here's a description of a typical crew.

- One or more people up front. These volunteers welcome shoppers and acquaint them with the layout of the store. They also assist the shoppers at the end when they are done shopping by counting the number of items going out, bagging the items and then documenting number of items, town of the shopper, and number of people the items are for.
- One or more people out in the store, greeting shoppers, making sure the floor space is clear and safe, gathering hangers, answering questions.
- One or more people hanging recent donations and then putting them out on the appropriate place on the racks.
- One or more volunteers in the lower level hanging off season clothing.

Any additional volunteers beyond the basic crew are a bonus! There is always work to be done. If you prefer to sit and work, there's a job for you. If you prefer to stand and/or walk around the store, there's a job for you. Seeing the abundance shared and ministry provided at Harmony is a living example of God's work, our Hands.

Stephen Minister in Service

Most weekends the back of the bulletin lists a Stephen Minister in Service. Our Stephen Ministers have signed up to serve during worship as usher, lector, communion server, or just be available. This is to help the congregation put a face to a name of our Stephen Ministers. We thank them for their service during worship.

The Stephen Minister in Service is also available to answer your questions about Stephen Ministry. Maybe you know of someone who could benefit from the special care given by a Stephen Minister, or maybe you are interested in this care for yourself. Perhaps you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister and would like to learn more. The Stephen Minister in Service is available to you. Please let them know we appreciate the service they provide.

Devotional Reading Group Meetings

The Devotional Reading Group continues to meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 3:30 pm in the Lounge. This group is open to anyone with no advance reading or reading assignments. A reading is shared and discussed during each time together. Invite a friend.

September Circle Meetings

A new Bible study begins in September, "The People of God, Unity in the Midst of Diversity." Each circle meets monthly for a time of fellowship and study.

September's Meeting Schedule:

Mary Circle	September 1	9:00 am
Ruth Circle	September 3	9:30 am
Esther Circle	September 7	2:00 pm
Martha Circle	September 7	7:00 pm

All Circles meet in the Lounge except the Martha Circle. In September the Martha Circle will meet at the home of Kathy Bergmann.

Lutheran World Relief Workday

It is close to packing and shipping time for all of the Lutheran World Relief Kits. A workday is planned for Wednesday, September 8 at 1:00 pm. You can find lists of items needed for completing kits on the display table outside the Sanctuary.

Our kits will be blessed during worship on September 25 and 26. It is always impressive to see all of the work that is done by this quiet ministry to be sent out into the world where it is most needed.

Special Opportunities During Worship

- Pastor Gloria Dovre will be our guest preacher on September 11 and 12 with a presentation of the Lao Ministry in Des Moines.
- After a month of prayer, we will cast our Ecclesiastical Ballots for nomination of Council members on September 18 and 19.
- Our Consecration Weekend, making our pledges of time, talent and treasure, will be October 23 and 24.
- The fall Service of Healing will be Saturday, October 23 at the 5:00 pm Evening Communion.

What does Financial Peace Look Like?

Good news! Financial Peace University is now offering the first lesson for FREE. Come and hear what Dave Ramsey has to say in this DVD based 13-week course all about finances. No matter where you're at in life, starting out or retired, whether you feel like you have no money or too much, whether you live alone or with a houseful, Financial Peace has something to offer you. A new FPU class is starting on Sunday, Sept. 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Join facilitator, Lonny Flack the first Sunday in September and move toward financial peace. Call the church office at 382-6509 to enroll.

An Adventure Awaits at the Science Museum in St. Paul, Minnesota

You are invited! We're heading north to St. Paul to see two exhibits: One ancient, the Dead Sea Scrolls, 2,000 year old manuscripts including the earliest biblical writings. The other, the newest handwritten and illuminated Bible to be commissioned in the last 500 years, The Saint Johns Bible. The bus leaves the Memorial parking lot at 1:00 pm Mon., Sept. 20 and returns by 8:00 pm Tues., Sept 21. The fee for the bus trip, overnight stay and breakfast, admission to the museum and omni theater is \$105 per person/double occupancy. Reservations are due by Fri., Sept 10. Contact Parish Life Director, Jodi Knox for additional details. Let's go! (Minimum of 42 required.)

Fall Camping Weekend

The Fall All Memorial Camping Weekend is coming. Bring your tent or RV and camp Friday, Sept. 24-Sunday, Sept. 26 at Quaker Heights near Eldora. The fee is \$17 per site, per night. There will be access to a modern shower facility. For more information contact Parish Life Director, Jodi Knox at 382-6509 or parishlife@midiova.net. Registrations due by Fri., Sept. 17. (Minimum of 4 RV/tents required.)

Discover Your Call, Dependable Strengths Workshop Scheduled

A three session, Discover your Call Workshop is being offered in October on Thursday nights. October 7, 14, 21 from 6 pm—10 pm join others and walk through a step by step process to uncover your Dependable Strengths. Even if you have taken a spiritual gifts inventory before, this method is sure to reveal new information to you. Facilitator, Parish Life Director Jodi Knox invites you to Discover Your Call. Enroll today. Registration deadline is Thurs., Sept. 30. (Minimum of 4 participants is required.)

Notes of Thanks

Thank you so much for your support of the Good Samaritan BBQ through your donations of food, money, and volunteers. Working together made it a great success and a lot of fun.

The Good Samaritan Committee

Dear Friends at Memorial,
 We want to thank you for your prayers and visits while Dorothy was at Bethany Manor. Dorothy has made a remarkable recovery. God has certainly heard your prayers. We're so happy to have her home. Praise be to God.

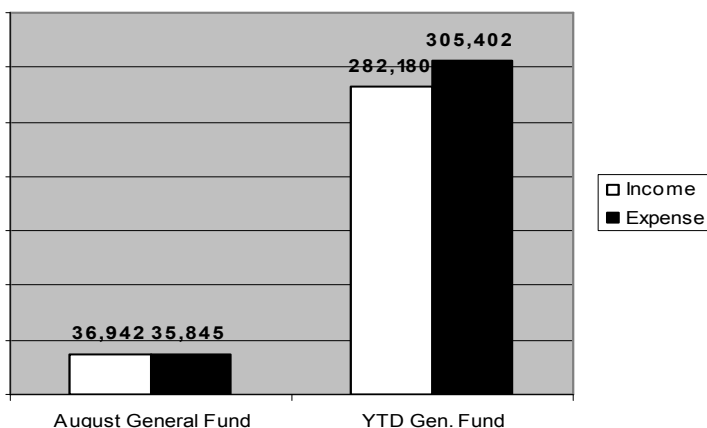
The Niblock Family

We would like to thank everyone for the many cards, visits, and prayers during Chuck's hospitalization. A special thanks to Pastor Myron and Pastor Dave for your many visits and prayers.

Chuck and Martha Wilson

Our Financial Picture

General Fund Income/Expense



We made it through the summer months without any borrowing from our Line of Credit in August. Thank you for your continued generosity to continue to meet our obligations and to hopefully work toward retiring our \$16,500 debt to our Line of Credit.

Last Word

A couple of stories from the Harmony Clothing Closet...

At the annual "Back-to-School" event that took place over a three-day period we provided over 7000 articles of clothing for many children throughout a four county area in Central Iowa. That's Amazing! One woman looked at me as she was embracing a "new" winter coat. She said, "This will be one of the first winters that I won't have to be cold!" That's Grace! When the weekend was over there were still plenty of clothes left to choose from on the racks, but there were no more clothes to hang up. I thought to myself with great excitement, "we're done!" I'm not even sure what I meant by "we're done." We are never done with God's work, and as per usual I spoke too soon. By that next Monday evening when we opened up again the back room was full of clothes ready to be hung up and displayed. It is truly like a 'Loaves and Fishes' kind of miracle. People from the community have been so generous. Thank you. After the waters have subsided, we have seen many people come to find clothes because they lost everything in the floods. A family of five came in this past Saturday from a nearby community and they were so grateful that they could find clothes to wear for school. They lost everything when the pressure of the underground water made their basement collapse and the water just poured in.

Now, a selfish plea to you... **WE NEED MORE HANGERS!** We have decided that we need to hang all clothes that come in and not just store them in boxes until the appropriate season. Hanging the clothes will be better for the clothing and easier for volunteers as we switch our display racks from summer clothes to winter clothes. If you have hangers that you can donate you may drop them off at church or swing by the Harmony Clothing Closet during our hours of operation. Again, thanks for all you do for the neighbor! And that is always The Last Word.

Pastor David

Together in Prayer, September

<i>Date</i>	<i>Birthday</i>	<i>Anniversary</i>	<i>Intercessions for...</i>
Wed. Sep. 1 Luke 14:25-33	Jason Schuler	Curtis & Linda Hoff Rob & Lou Ann Williams Loren and Janeen Driscoll	Hosts and guests
Thu. Sep 2 Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Dean Handsaker, Wendy McMillen Dane Spykerman	Odin & Sandy Christian	People living with controllable diseases
Fri. Sep. 3 Philemon 1-21	Juli Tanner, Cynthia Duea Kay Rierson, Alberta Stansbury	Charles & Lural Lee	Those searching for meaning and truth
Sat. Sep. 4 Luke 14:25-33	Ethan Robinson	Bernie & Lois Mens	Conflicts between ethnic groups
Sun. Sep. 5 Luke 15:1-10	Emma Lodestein, Nathan Collins Adam George, Matthew Myers Amy Atkinson, Donald Blank Thelma Stone,	Keith & Judi Twedt	Congregations torn by conflict
Mon. Sep. 6 Exodus 32:7-14	Lance Speed, Ronna Peterson	Larry & Deb Parker	Youth group leaders
Tue. Sep. 7 1 Timothy 1:12-17	Norman Swensen, Jeff Collins DeAnn Stephens, Leighton Memmer	Jim & Margaret Owen	Those seeking employment
Wed. Sep. 8 Luke 15:1-10	Nancy Couser, Brittany Anderson	Ronald & Mary Lou Oelmann	Those packing for a move
Thu. Sep. 9 Exodus 32:7-14	Chad Knop, Linda Hoff Travis Haddock, Tyler Richeson	Jim & Barb Croxdale Brandon & Jen Williams	Those who struggle to manage their anger
Fri. Sep. 10 1 Timothy 1:12-17	Brant Reyerson, Michael Rhodes, Judy Farthing	Michael & Patricia Ackerman	Those who are considering some criminal act
Sat. Sep.11 Luke 15:1-10	Denton Myers	Bud & Deanna Robey,	Students planning for their futures
Sun. Sep. 12 Luke 16:1-13	Charlene Carsrud, Spencer Grant	Jeff & Kristi Stensland	Parents, teachers, and students as the school year begins
Mon. Sep. 13 Amos 8:4-7	Jamie Hughet, Ardith Forsyth Lonny Flack, Noah Adelmund		Young children with special needs
Tue. Sep. 14 1 Timothy 2:1-7	Marcy Kaufman, Douglas Sampson, Mary Sampson	Don & Mary Lou Haddock	Those who are wearied by life
Wed. Sep. 15 Luke 16:1-13	Daniel Souers, Darren Toot Cathie Raley, Carol Brown Ron Jacobson, Cynthia Chitty Jesse Baldus, Rylee Upchurch	Richard & Carol Brown	Childcare workers
Thu. Sep. 16 Amos 8:4-7		Jim & Janice Gammon	Lutheran World Relief
Fri. Sep. 17 1 Timothy 2:1-7	Keith Swanson, Don McMillen		Those longing for a home
Sat. Sep. 18 Luke 16:1-13	Madison Merfeld, Kendra Braucher Evan Rix	Troy & Marlys Barker	Prison inmates
Sun. Sep. 19 Luke 16:19-31	James McIntire, Joyce Ficken Ralph Dittmer		Business owners and managers
Mon. Sep. 20 Amos 6:1a,4-7	Nancy Willert, Michael Gerlach Janice Bairey, Brian Schaeffer	Sanford & Neva Duea	Those with no church home
Tue. Sep. 21 1 Timothy 6:6-19	Eric Dalthorp, Monte Bullock Doris Partridge, Karrie Ann Burke Ellie Toney, Grace Chitty	Kris & Jennifer Kerns, Darren & Kari Toot	Those longing for a fresh start

<i>Wed. Sep. 22</i> Luke 16:19-31	Ayden Rhodes	George & Carolyn Gottschalk Charles & Bert Ann Ray	Those facing bankruptcy
<i>Thu. Sep. 23</i> Amos 6:1a,4-7		Robert & Iva Oxley Kyle & Rendee Clark	Widows and widowers
<i>Fri. Sep. 24</i> 1 Timothy 6:6-19	Thomas Nervig, Kevin Peterson Stacy Williamson, Sarah Borton Molly Seyller	Ken & Janelle Ferguson Mike & Stephanie Anderson	Local elected officials
<i>Sat. Sep. 25</i> Luke 16:19-31	Amy Collins, Marty Mortvedt		Victims of earthquakes and hurricanes
<i>Sun. Sep. 26</i> Luke 17:5-10	Taylor Otto, Brooke Knop Jenny Adelmund , Robert Schuler Ty Dittmer		Siblings
<i>Mon. Sep. 27</i> Habakkuk 1:1-4,2:1-4	Ken Ferguson, Tammy Gardner Anne Gray, Abbey Russom	James & Mary Ann McIntire Dennis & Nicole Pratt	Missionaries
<i>Tue. Sep. 28</i> 2 Timothy 1:1-14	James Bingham, Laura Pejsha Dale Heintz, Bradley Melton Kennedy Long	Richard & JoAnn Couser Les & Marlene Anderson	Homeless shelters in your area
<i>Wed. Sep. 29</i> Luke 17:5-10	Camdan Vincent, Stephanie Anderson		Emergency responders
<i>Thu. Sep. 30</i> Habakkuk 1:1-4,2:1-4	Emma Link, Alyssa Schaeffer Todd Sampson, Gabriella Curler Porter McIntire		Those longing for answer to prayer

We apologize for any errors or omissions. Kindly let us know of any corrections that need to be made.

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>5 9:00 am Worship 4:00 pm Kirkharr/Nady Wedding</p>	<p>6 Labor Day Office Closed 5:30 pm Weight Watchers 5:30 pm Food at First</p>	<p>7 9:00 am Golden K 9:00 am Walk and Pray 2:00 pm Esther Circle 5:00 pm Finance Team 7:00 pm Martha Circle at Kathy Bergmann's Home</p>	<p>1 9:00 am Mary Circle 5:30 pm Supper (Until 6:20 pm) 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:30 pm 7-8 Gr Confirmation 6:30 pm 10 Gr Confirmation 7:30 pm Memorial Choir 8:00 pm Executive Committee</p>	<p>2 9:00 am Staff Meeting 12:10 pm Al-Anon 5:30 pm Food at First Nevada</p>	<p>3 9:30 am Ruth Circle 10:00 am Bulletin Volunteers</p>	<p>4 5:00 pm Evening Communion 6:15 pm Kirkharr/Nady Rehearsal</p>
<p>12 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am All Ages Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School Orientation 10:45 am Fellowship Forum: Lao Ministry 10:50 am 4th Gr and Parents <i>Intro to the Bible</i> 6:00 pm Financial Peace Univ.</p>	<p>13 5:30 pm Weight Watchers 5:30 pm Food at First</p>	<p>14 9:00 am Golden K 9:00 am Walk and Pray 5:15 pm Ministry Partnership 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>15 5:30 pm Supper (Until 6:20 pm) 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:30 pm 7-8 Gr Confirmation 6:30 pm 10 Gr Confirmation 7:30 pm Memorial Choir 8:00 pm Executive Committee</p>	<p>16 9:00 am Staff Meeting 11:20 am Meadows Communion 12:10 pm Al-Anon 1:30 pm LTC Communion 2:15 pm RG Communion 5:30 pm Food at First Nevada</p>	<p>17 10:00 am Bulletin Volunteers</p>	<p>18 10:00 am Kaitlyn Gull Benefit 5:00 pm Evening Communion w/ Ecclesiastical Balloting</p>
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<p>26 <i>Fall Camping Retreat</i> 9:00 am Worship 10:15 am All Ages Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am 4th Gr and Parents <i>Intro to the Bible</i> 1:00 pm Andy Murphy, Eagle Scout 6:00 pm Financial Peace Univ. 6:00 pm Confirmation Dinner & Rehearsal</p>	<p>27 5:30 pm Weight Watchers 5:30 pm Food at First</p>	<p>28 9:00 am Golden K 9:00 am Walk and Pray 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>29 5:30 pm Supper (Until 6:20 pm) 6:00 pm Handbell Choir 6:30 pm 7-8 Gr Confirmation 7:30 pm Memorial Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>30 9:00 am Staff Meeting 12:10 pm Al-Anon 3:00 pm MLC Serves Food at First Ames 5:30 pm Food at First Nevada</p>		

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