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Wuzzles & S.P.L.A.T. Zone 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Youth: Encounter 4pm and Engage 6pm Sundays

Church office hours: Mon-Thurs. – 8am-5pm; Fri. – 8am-noon. Closed Friday afternoons

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Happy Father's
Day to all our
dads!
June 17



Nate's News

Thank you to all those who helped make VBS a success once again and those who especially gave up their week last week! We had such a great week and God was working in a lot of different ways which makes it such a blessing to see and hear all of the great stories that were taking place. We averaged 150 kids with the highest on Wednesday at 168, which is awesome! We usually have a couple of days that go low because of everyone's ball schedule, but this year we really didn't see that happen and it made for a great week. We also were able to help Christmas for Kids with a total of over \$1,700 that will be used to help kids this Christmas! Once again thank you to everyone who had a small part or a big part!

What's your favorite Psalm? We will be spending most of the summer looking at some of the Psalms and of course there will be some familiar ones and some maybe not so familiar, but I hope you can come each week as we hear how honest David was throughout the Psalms and how personal God is when we come to him. Start this Sunday as we honor our fathers and look at the code of the father.

Help needed! We are once again helping with the hospitality tent at the Edgar County Fair this year and our night to be there is Thursday, July 26 from 4PM-9PM. We are looking for those who would be willing to spend one hour just wiping off the tables and keeping the area clean for this night. If you are able to help please let Nate know, thanks!

Kennedy's Korner

Starting in July, we will be needing someone to teach preschool for the 10:30am service the fourth Sunday of each month.

Church Camp information is available at the Welcome Center for any child interested in going to camp this year.

Spenser's Spot

"Be filled with the Holy Spirit, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts. And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 5:18b-20 NLT.

Worship is one the more controversial and debated topics in churches all over the world. One of the reasons that I believe this is the case is because it can be a broad term. That's why I love this passage in Ephesians. Call for the Holy Spirit to be a part of worship. Worship should always be filled with the Holy Spirit. Sing Psalms. Often Psalms are linked with the style and focus of modern worship songs that tend to emphasize our emotions and relationship with God. Sing Hymns. Hymns have a history starting with the Greeks and referring to honoring their gods. It was adopted by the Christian Church and during the reformation, took on a strictly scriptural basis. It was adjusted even more so as congregational singing changed and became what it is in hymnals today. Spiritual songs tend to be connected more to free, spirit-moved singing sometimes with the focus of relationship and sometimes on God's word. Make music to the Lord in your hearts. The passage says basically, there are a lot of different types of songs that are worshipful. But no matter which category it is or whether it is your favorite of the three, we should be worshipping the Lord in our hearts. Thank the Lord for everything. There are too many negative things in the world for us to get wrapped up in our own preferences. We should thank the Lord for the blessing to be able to gather together freely and sing praises to Him. There's a place for psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs in worship. But when we gather, let us focus on making music to the Lord in our hearts.

We have our annual Freedomfest coming up! Every year, Lake Ridge hosts a community event to celebrate our nation's

independence. This year, Freedomfest will be on July 1st from 4:30-6:30pm. While most of our activities will be out under the pavilion, we will have an area indoors this year for those who need out of the heat. There's a little something for everyone whether it be puzzles, lawn games, inflatables, or just grabbing a hotdog and chips! Come out and have some fun!

Alicia's Awesome Announcements

CIY Move is in two weeks and we couldn't be more excited. Thank you for your prayers and please continue to pray for us as we get ready to go.

But we are also getting excited about CIY MIX which is for junior high students on July 29-Aug. 2. If you are interested in signing up your student, make sure you turn in a \$50 deposit by July 1. The total cost is \$150 and will be due later in July. Please also be praying for this trip. We want to see a ton of students go!! We can't wait to see what God will do during these two trips.

PRAYER CONCERNS *Please pray daily for those listed. We ask that you copy these requests onto your own private list for two weeks. Remember: "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:17 – Our military, the homeless, missionaries, our church, Abigail Alexander & family, Rayleigh Ike, Nate, Sarah, Alicia, Chris and families, Spenser, Chrissy and boys, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Brenda Rhoads, Gary & Linda Hancock, Jason Ball, Randy Rhoads, Don Laughead, Ingle Family, Kerri Duzan, Maddy B., Melinda Armetrout, Lenny Magers, Liz Dayton, Cindy Ingram, Cindy Soughers, Bill Lucas, Mamie Boyer, Barb Marshall, Judy Alexander, Sharon Pitts, Diana Stewart, Olen & Beverly Duzan, Jim Hutchings, a nephew, 88 unspoken*

Coming Up

Faith in Action Benefit Bash! Friday June 29 at 4-8pm at the Paris Burger King. Grab a bite to eat and support your community! Burger King will donate 20% of sales generated from the group's supporters.

Paris Community Blood Drive

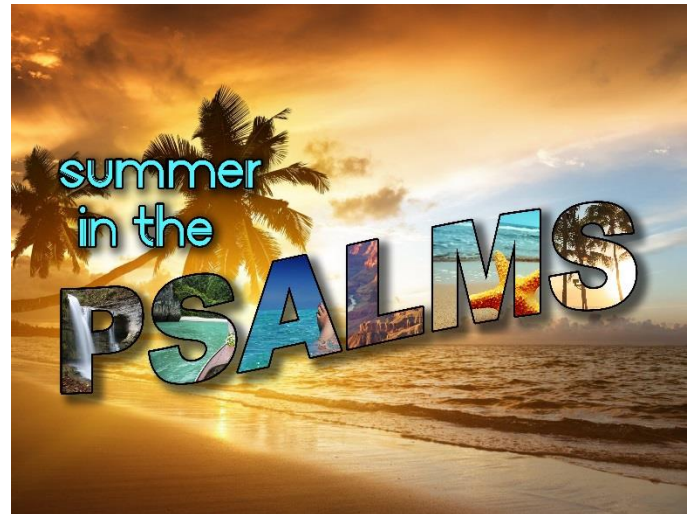
Knights of Columbus (KC Hall) – Monday June 25 at 11:30am-5:30pm. For an appointment, please contact Nancy Englebright at 217-465-6494

SENIOR ADULT'S

You won't want to miss a great performance at the Beef House. "Million Dollar Quartet" is back and the last time it was wonderful. A lot of the same cast will be performing again. This was a sell out last time it was at the Beef House so if you haven't seen the show or still wish to enjoy a wonderful evening with friends, plan to attend. The show is Saturday, July 7 – Price is \$48.00 – Dinner starts at 5:00pm IL time. (See flyer on bulletin board for details). Must make reservations by June 30. See Chris at the office or contact Judy Benton.

The other show for July is at the Beef House as well. "Disney Newies" will feature the largest cast at the Beef House. It is a musical about the newspaper strike of 1899 in New York City. It is high energy with non-stop thrills. The show is Saturday, July 21 – Price is \$46.00 – Dinner starts at 5:00pm, IL time. (See flyer on bulletin board for details). Reservations must be made by July 14. See Chris at the office or contact Judy Benton at 812-243-6231.

June/July Sermon Series



PRAYER

Pray
Regularly
And
You will
Experience
Rich blessings

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THE KIND OF DAD I'D BUY

By Helen Kitchell Evans

If I went shopping for a dad,
Here is what I'd buy:
One who would always stop
To answer a little boy's "Why?"
One who would always speak kindly
To a little girl or boy,
One who would give to others
A bit of sunshine and joy.
I'd pick a dad that followed
The Bible's Golden Rule,
And one who went regularly
To church and Sunday school.
I'd buy the very finest dad
To place on our family tree,
And then I'd try to live like him
So he would be proud of me.

Don't forget to turn in your Baby Bottle Blessings for the Choices Pregnancy and Health Center this Sunday, June 17. If you forget, please bring it the next week.

June 18 at 6:30-8:30pm – Jr. High Movie Night
June 19 at 7pm – Brotherhood at Metcalf
June 21 at 6pm – Stewardship Ministry Mtg.
June 24 at Noon – Elder's Mtg.
June 26 @ 9am – RIPPLE DEADLINE
June 25-30 – CIY Move



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