



"New Sermon Series to Start Summer"

"We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."

That Bible verse is found in I Thessalonians, the book from which comes the summer sermon series I decided to preach. It is addressed **"to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."** That is how the apostle Paul opens his letter to this fledgling church, a congregation that had many who'd had no grounding in the faith but who'd stood up to the very real persecutions they had faced. Paul wrote two letters to this church in Thessalonica – it's likely they were written in 50-55 AD, basically two decades after the death and resurrection of Jesus – and we can trace Paul's journey to that area (Macedonia was the larger region) by looking at accounts from Acts chapters 16-17 and then in chapter 20.

Paul addressed a few key issues in 1 and 2 Thessalonians. First, he reminded them to remain pure in the Lord, especially regarding issues of sexual immorality in light of their existence in such a pagan society. Second, he reminded them to value getting along with each other – there were a number of Jewish converts to the faith and still more who had no real religious upbringing – and appreciating the different histories that had led them to each other in Christ.

Third, he told them to keep busy, that idleness in the midst of such need in their midst was not to be tolerated. Fourth, he cautioned them to stay alert for those who are communicating a theology that is contrary to the gospel. And, finally, he admonished those who are divisive, telling the church (2 Thess. 3:15) *"do not regard them as*

enemies, but warn them as fellow believers."

Beginning June 5, I will preach from 1 and 2 Thessalonians and plan to continue through the end of July. The texts being used for those messages are as follows:

June 5 – Acts 17:1-15 and I Thess. 1:1-10

June 12 – I Thess. 2:1-12

June 19 – (Father's Day) I Thess. 2:13-20

June 26 – TBA (Guest Preacher)

July 3 – I Thess. 3:1-13

July 10 – I Thess. 4:1-18

July 17 – I Thess. 5:1-24

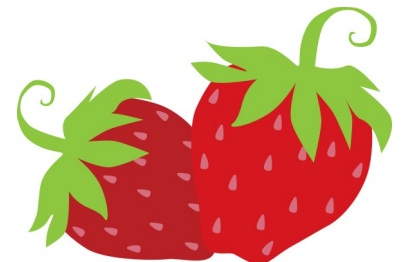
July 24 – 2 Thess. 3:1-16

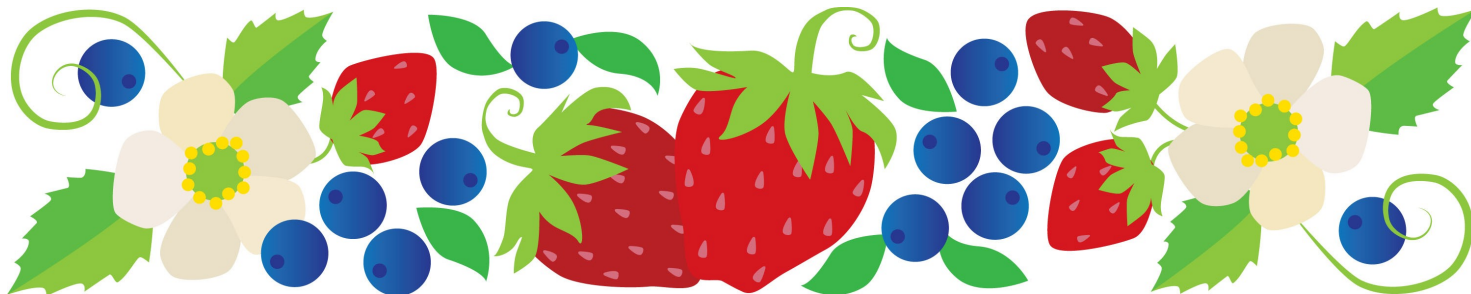
A Closing Note

I wanted to express from Pastor Mary and I how appreciative we are for your volunteerism during our recent Vacation Bible School week – Neeli Noyd, Pat Everingham, Linda Johnson, Judy Hanson, Korah Hier, Ellie Pinley, Sunni and Ben Cooper, and Eli Greenwall were helpful on a number of levels, either overseeing pieces of the week or with helping each day in an aspect of service. Also, whoever donated snacks or provided other behind-the-scenes help, thank you! Our collaborative ministry with Salem Lutheran and the UMC of Stromsburg could not have been done without you.

In Christ,

Pastor Craig





What's Happening in June?



Sunday, June 5, 2022: Jan & Dale Fike—Wedding Reception Open House: from 2-4 pm at church. Jan (Randell) and Dale were married April 24, 2022. In lieu of gifts, the couple would be honored if you chose to support one of the following ministries:

Platte Valley Youth for Christ (*Director Jeff Randell*): This ministry tells marginalized teens about Jesus through authentic, Christ-sharing relationships and programs.

Ben Fike Ministries (*Dale's brother*): They work with leadership teams across the US and other parts of the world, helping train indigenous people for leadership and discipleship strategies to spread the gospel. (Checks may be written to either organization and either brought to the reception or mailed to PO Box 386, Stromsburg, NE 68666)

Thursday, June 16, 2022: Rescue Mission Meal: 5:30 pm

Friday—Sunday, June 17-19, 2022: Swedish Festival

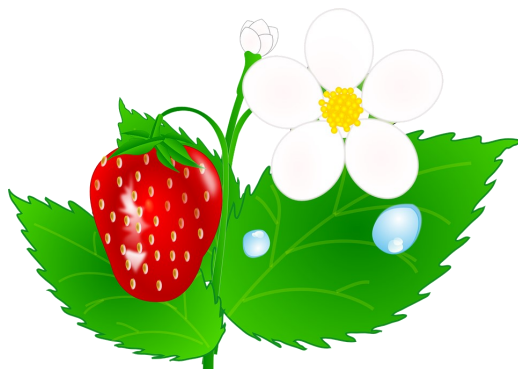
Sunday, June 19, 2022: Father's Day



Sunday—Friday, June 19-24, 2022: Explorer Camp at Covenant Cedars (5th-6th Grades)

Sunday—Wednesday, June 26-29, 2022: Trailblazer Camp at Covenant Cedars (3rd-4th Grades)

Sunday, June 25, 2022: Anniversary Celebration for Ken and Pat Everingham—1-4 pm at church



Ministry Teams

Lead Team:
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402-366-9803

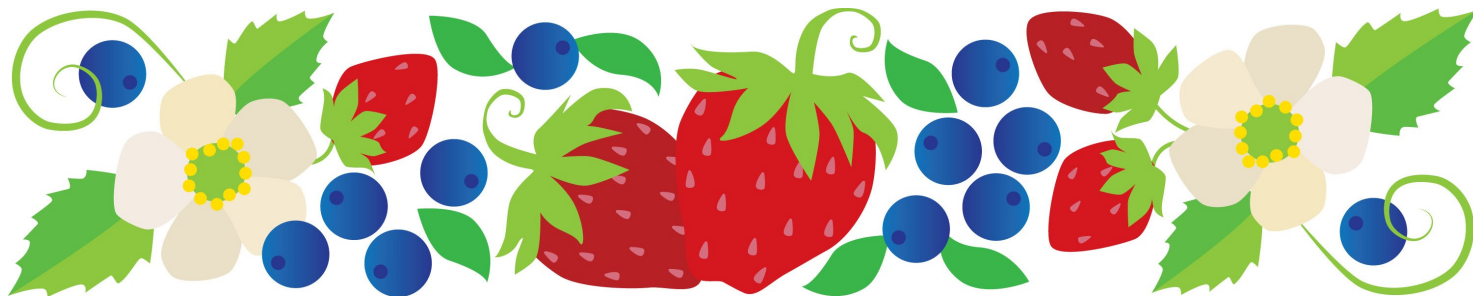
Fellowship & Hospitality:
Pat Everingham
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Outreach:
Julia Schram—402-710-9561
Shayla Hier—402-764-0261

Worship Ministry Team:
Neeli Noyd
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Judy Hanson
402-764-6681

Properties:
Marv Wadell (contact person)
402-764-7651



Gracelyn Everingham	June 2
Linda Johnson	June 7
Jeannie Ahlquist	June 10
Beverly Bauer	June 10
Bob Greenwall	June 15
Delores Nielsen	June 16
Jim Younglund	June 25
Isaac Noyd	June 28



Jay & Vicki Platt	June 1
Phil & Linda Pelc	June 9
Bob & Eleanor Greenwall	June 16
Ken & Pat Everingham	June 24

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Prayer Concerns? Please contact Connie Nuttelman to have a request go out on the prayer chain or to be included in the bulletin. Connie's number is 402-366-9045 or you can send an email to prayerchain@stromsburgcov.org.



Ministry Partners:

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Greeters: Dennis & Connie Nuttelman

Fellowship: Open

Scripture: Judy Hanson

Pianist/Worship Leader: Ryan Cooper

Worship Team: Craig Pinley, Neeli Noyd, Dianne Nielsen

Audio/Visual: Sara Noble, Jodi Johnson

Sunday, June 12, 2022

Greeters: Kent & Cheryl Erickson

Fellowship: Open

Scripture: Pat Everingham

Pianist/Worship Leader: Ryan Cooper

Worship Team: Craig & Mary Pinley, Dianne Nielsen, Neeli Noyd

Audio/Visual: Ellie Pinley, Sara Noble

Thursday, June 16, 2022

Rescue Mission Meal: Pat Everingham

Sunday, June 19, 2022—Father's Day

Greeters: Charles & Neeli Noyd

Fellowship: Open

Scripture: Dennis Nuttelman

Pianist: Sue Rosenbaum

Worship Team: Craig & Mary Pinley, Sara Noble

Audio/Visual: Ellie Pinley, Jodi Johnson

Sunday, June 26, 2022

Greeters: Doug & Julie Lamoree

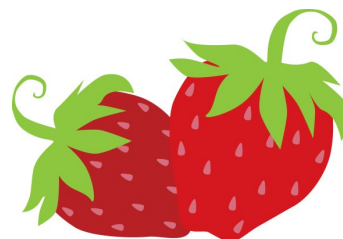
Fellowship: Open

Scripture: Eleanor Greenwall

Pianist: Sue Rosenbaum






Worship Team: Craig & Mary Pinley

Audio/Visual: Sara Noble, Ellie Pinley





JUNE 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Summer Sundays: 9:15 worship team 10:30 worship 11:45 fellowship			1	2	3	4
5  Wedding Reception 2-4 Jan & Dale Fike	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 12:00 Lead Team Mtg	13	14	15	16 5:30 Rescue Mission Meal  SERVING MEALS TO THE HOMELESS	17	18  Swedish Festival
19 	20 	21	22	23	24	25
		Explorers Camp (5th-6th Gr) - Covenant Cedars				
26 1-4 Ken & Pat Everingham Anniversary Party	27	28	29	30		
	Trailblazer Camp (3rd-4th Gr) - Covenant Cedars					