



Staves Memorial United Methodist Church

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HOPES & DREAMS

A man's steps are established by the Lord, and He takes pleasure in his way. Though he falls, he will not be overwhelmed, because the Lord holds his hand. Psalm 37:23-24

Psalm 37 shows us a great contrast between the righteous and the unrighteous man. I want to encourage you to read all of Psalm 37 because you will see many examples of the way God works in the life of those who follow Him.

When it comes to a God-given vision – something God has placed in your heart to accomplish: one of the biggest deterrents can be our own dreams. What do you dream about? We all have dreams but a God-given vision is different. This is not something that would be cool to do or some destination we would like to go to or some goal we have set for ourselves. A vision is what God wants you to do.

When God's vision for you comes in direct conflict with your own dreams – who wins?

Let me just suggest to you that God's vision for you is greater, better, and more powerful than your dreams. Not only that, with God holding your hand, what can you not do? And if you surrender yourself to God's vision, often times your own dreams will also come true.

So, surrender your dreams to God. He knows what you don't know – and he can do more than we ask or even think. Don't let your dream come in the way of God's vision for you.

Instead of fighting for your way, try fighting for God's way. Take pleasure in the way He has set for you. It is the more powerful way – and God will hold your hand as you walk in.



July Birthdays

Madeline Morey	7/01
Rosie Bishop	7/18
Maverick Davisson	7/18
Stephen Atterbury	7/23
Terri Pollard	7/27
Joan Peterson	7/27
Emilie Rogers	7/31

July Calendar

1 st	No China Painters	
	Hispanic Bible Study (chapel)	7:00 p.m.
3 rd	Holy Communion	
	Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time	11:00 a.m.
	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	1:00 p.m.
4 th	Independence Day -Office closed	
	TOPS Club (weigh in only)	5:15 p.m.
	No Bible Study	
6 th	Dorcas Circle	10:00 am - 2:00 p.m.
	Hispanic Bible Study (chapel)	10:00 a.m.
7 th	Craft Group	5:00 p.m.
8 th	China Painters	9:30 a.m.
	Stamp Club	7:00 p.m.
	Hispanic Worship	7:00 p.m.
9 th	Dennis Crabtree Visitation	10:00 -10:30 a.m.
	Dennis Crabtree Service	10:30 a.m.
	Sandy McNamar Memorial Food Pantry	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
10 th	Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time	11:00 a.m.
	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	1:00 -3:00 p.m.
11 th	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	TOPS Club	5:15 p.m.
	Trustees Meeting	7:00 p.m.

12 th	Covenant Group	1:00 p.m.
	Finance Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	DANA	7:00 p.m.
13 th	Esther Circle (meet at Perkins in Altoona)	11:00 a.m.
	Ad Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
	Hispanic Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
14 th	Craft Group	5:00 p.m.
15 th	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	7:00 p.m.
16 th	All Church Breakfast	8:00 a.m.
17 th	Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time	11:00 a.m.
	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
18 th	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	TOPS Club	5:15 p.m.
	Education	6:00 p.m.
20 th	Caller Deadline	
	Hispanic Bible Study (chapel)	7:00 p.m.
21 st	Craft Group	5:00 p.m.
22 nd	Hispanic Worship	7:00 p.m.
23 rd	Eve Circle	9:30 a.m.
24 th	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time	11:00 a.m.
	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	1:00 -3:00 p.m.
	Summer Picnic and Hymn Sing-Along (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
25 th	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	TOPS Club	5:15 p.m.
26 th	Covenant Group	1:00 p.m.
27 th	Hispanic Bible Study (chapel)	7:00 p.m.
28 th	Craft Group	5:00 p.m.
29 th	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	7:00 p.m.
30 th	Sandy McNamar Food Pantry	2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
	Community Meal	5:00 p.m.
31 st	Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time	11:00 a.m.
	Hispanic Worship Service (chapel)	7:00 p.m.



Staves' Sandy McNamar Food Pantry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

The Pantry dates for July are: Saturday, July 9th and Saturday, July 30th. The Food Pantry is open from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each of those days.

The numbers for June have not been determined since the second Saturday for the month is after the writing of this article. The information for May is as follows:

- 19 Families serving 75 people
- 85 pounds of food in
- 402.65 pounds of food out and 5 personal items out

The Food Pantry staff wish to thank you for your continued support of this special outreach program. If you are interested in helping, please join us on either the second or last Saturday of any month.

The fiscal year for the Food Pantry ends on June 30th. So, we will report the total numbers for the year (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022) in the August caller.

We could really use canned soup, Pork & Beans, Hamburger/Chicken/Tuna Helpers, canned spaghetti/ravioli or similar type items.

COMMUNITY MEAL

The Free Meals are still operating and you may now eat in the church during those meals. Here are the dates for the next three months:

July 30th
August 27th
September 24th

The committee will plan the meals for July, August and September soon. Those menu plans will be shared once they are known.

COMMUNITY MEAL CONTINUED

This is a free will offering meal. Any funds donated go into the Community Meal fund to help purchase the meat or other main dish ingredients. If you are willing to help with the meal, come on the designated date at 4:00 p.m. to help set up and serve.

Crafts, Conversation & Chow

Come join other women for a night of Crafting, Conversation, and Chow—*Free of Charge*.

Bring a project to work on and a dish to share, or simply come to connect with other women. We meet at the church every Thursday starting at 5 p.m. If you have a craft you'd like to learn, let us know so we can find the right person to help you learn.

If you have further questions, please contact *Jennifer McDonald at 515-314-4761*,

For the Lions Club, Save your Eye Glasses, Hearing Aids, Postage Stamps and Can Tabs

SAVE YOUR USED EYEGLASSES AND HEARING AIDS

The Lion's Club collects used eyeglasses and hearing aids. Even if the hearing aid doesn't work, they can use it for parts. Bring these items anytime during the year to the church.

You may place them in the designated basket marked "Used Eye Glasses," located by the mailboxes in the narthex.

POSTAL HISTORY FOUNDATION

The Postal History Foundation is an educational program where a group of volunteers collect stamps for teachers and students nationwide.

Please continue to place any stamps you may have in the basket by the mailboxes in the narthex.

SAVE YOUR ALUMINUM CAN TABS:

The Lion's Club is collecting tabs off of all aluminum cans for the Ronald McDonald House. Save your can tabs and put them in an envelope or baggie marked "Tabs" and put in the same white basket in the narthex marked "Postage Stamps."



Summer Picnic and Hymn Sing-along
Sunday July 24th
6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall



Finance/Treasurer Report **As of May 31, 2022**

Bank Balance as of May 1, 2022	\$ 42,111.55
Receipts through May 31, 2022	\$ 19,104.20
Disbursements through May 31, 2022	\$ 17,586.80
Bank balance as of May 31, 2022	\$ 43,628.95
Less Committed Funds as of May 31, 2022	\$ 23,548.63
Available funds as of May 31, 2022	\$ 20,080.32

This report is submitted by:
David E. "Dave" Beery,
Current Staves Financial Secretary



EVE Circle will meet July 23rd , 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Jennie Gervais will be our speaker. Bring a friend. Sherry Palmer 515-991-1062

Free Community Meal



Saturday, July 30th, 5:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

While as the writing of this article VBS is next week we want say a big thank you to everyone who contributed to or helped with VBS. We had a great time writing and organizing our own VBS based on the children's story and movie "The Pilgrim's Progress."

Now that VBS is complete we'll look forward to August and September when we plan the Fall Festival Event that will be held on October 30th. While the title has changed a little this is still the Safe Beggars Night Fun Night that we hold each year. As the group plans this annual event, we will share information with everyone.

Bible study programs are running strong on Sunday morning (9:00 a.m.) or Monday morning (10:00 a.m.). Please plan to join one of these groups to learn more and develop fellowship with the other members of the groups.

Continue to Remember in Our Prayers

Our Members in Care Facilities:

Gerry Langland (Valley View Village)
Edna Rinard (Edencrest at Riverwoods)
Gary Sweeney (Independent Village of Ankeny)

Our Homebound Members:

Madelyn Morey (in MO with her daughter)

Our Ill, Hospitalized or Recovering Members:)

Theresa Garrison

Grow
in Christ

BIBLE STUDY
Monday Mornings
Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m.

For information contact
Norma Thierman
515-283-0090

Thank
you!

Dear Staves Family:

Thank you so much for making my 90th birthday so much fun with your cards, hugs and good wishes.

God bless each of you.

Jane Young

Let's
do
Lunch

ESTHER Circle will meet July 13th, 11:00 a.m.
at Perkins Restaurant in Altoona.
Bring a Friend
Please note change in time and place.

Carol Davis

TRUSTEES UPDATE

Here are the updates on the latest Trustee Projects:

The only outstanding project is the new stoves in the kitchen. We have finally gotten clarification on the need for fire suppression systems in the hoods. We do need to have those type of hoods and we are working on finding money to make that purchase and have those hoods installed.

We know the cost of the hoods is about \$10,400 but we have a \$2,000 credit at the restaurant supply house helping us with those hoods. So, we still need around \$8,000 to purchase the hoods then the money to install them, we don't yet know that cost. While this project has been dragging on and costing more than anticipated, we believe in the long run this benefits us. We believe that the cost to continually repair the existing stoves would continue and of course eventually we would need to replace those stoves once parts are no longer available. Then we will be at a point where we would have only partially working stoves and facing these costs at that time.

If you have something you think needs worked on in the church, please talk to a Trustee (see list of committee people posted in the Narthex) or send an email to the Trustees at sumtrustees@aol.com. Thanks.

JULY MISSION

JULY MISSION: BETHEL MISSION.

NOISY OFFERING.

MATTHEW 8:18-20

When Jesus saw the crowd around Him, He gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake. Then a teacher of the law came to Him and said, "Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go."

JULY MISSION CONTINUED

Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay His head."

Another disciple said to Him, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

But Jesus told him, "Follow Me, and let the dead bury their own dead."

Bethel Mission is the second of three parts for Hope Ministries. Earlier this year we collected items and money for Door of Faith for their ongoing recovery for men. For July we are collecting money for the ministry of Bethel Mission to provide support both tangible and intangible for the men who walk the streets and sleep where they can at night.

Bethel Mission was started in 1915 on 6th Ave as a shelter for homeless men. Through the years they have supplied bed, food, supplies, safety, and counselling to those in need. All they ask is that the men come in sober. This mission continues today to offer the same support that it started with. A health clinic is provided along with three meals daily, toiletries, clothing, and laundry access. Assistance for with the search for housing, employment or making long-term life changes is provided with compassion and dignity extended. There are opportunities for spiritual development and a chance to transition into the one-year life recovery program through Door of Faith.

For the month of July, we are asking for donations through our noisy offering during the Sunday morning service. This is always an exciting way to give and while coins generate the most noise, the green stuff and checks are also welcome.

Thank you for your generosity.

The Mission Team

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
Staves Memorial United Methodist Church
June 15, 2022

CALL TO ORDER/DEVOTIONS

Chairperson, Brian McNamar began the meeting by leading attendees in the Lord's prayer. The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed, and approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Finance/Treasurer - Terri Pollard

- A) Dave's report (offerings received) and the treasurer's report (as of May 31) was reviewed and discussed.
- B) It was noted, the maintenance contract for the folding machine will be dropped, as that machine is no longer being used.

Memorial Committee Treasurer – Phyllis Anderson
No big changes, from the last report.

REQUESTS FOR FUNDS

None.

LEADERSHIP REPORTS

Pastor – Tim Walker

- A) Congregation meeting, May 22, 7:00 p.m. to discuss the annual conference, and the current disaffiliation process.
- B) A report was given, on annual conference, highlighting the downsizing that has occurred in recent years.
- C) Discussion of recent turmoil (protests, shootings). It was noted, we should not let this distract us from our mission, and we need to continue to "be the church."

Trustees – Terri Pollard reporting.

- A) AJ Allen, new mechanical contractor, has thoroughly reviewed the heating and cooling systems.
- B) Kitchen stoves and hoods – an update was given on the process of obtaining a suitable system of fire protection/ventilation.

- C) Parking lot – will take a look at asphalt, as an alternative to concrete.

BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Education

Vacation Bible School – update on curriculum.

Worship/Music - Steve Ellis

All sign-up sheets are now posted in the same location, and people have been up for special music, ushering, greeting, fellowship time, etc.

Memorial Committee

No Report.

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- A) Summer hiatus.
- B) Hymn sing/ice cream social – July 24.
- C) Welcome reception for new district superintendent, Ron Carlson.

Food Pantry – Margo Schamerhorn

- A) New freezer.
- B) Creating a new permanent sign, listing upcoming dates.
- C) Four new people, a week ago – needs continue.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

NEXT MEETING

July 13, 7:00 pm.

Pastor Tim led attendees in prayer, to end the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Ellis, secretary

ATTENDEES

Brian McNamar	Pastor Tim Walker
Margo Schamerhorn	Jim McPherson
Linda McPherson	Jo Ann Riley
Judy Gustafson	Phyllis Anderson
Terri Pollard	Steve Ellis