

# Community of Christ

Lamoni Congregation

May 17, 2009

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9:30 a.m. Church School Classes  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship and Visiting Time  
10:45 a.m. Communication Time Marjie Foster

## *Victory through Love Sixth Sunday of Easter*

Prelude Mark Easter

Call to Worship: John 15:9-17

\*NS 19 "I Will Sing, I Will Sing"

Invocation Paula O'Neal  
The Prayer to Our Father from the original Aramaic

Response Mark Easter

Focus Moment: "God's Love"

Meditation Mark Easter

Testimony Beulah Ballantyne  
Donna Ewing

SP 9 "Bring Forth the Kingdom"

Disciples' Generous Response Natalee Anderson  
HS 258 "Joy to the World"  
*Please sing during the gathering of the offerings*

\*SP 45 "You Shall Go Out with Joy"

\*Benediction Ann Zieger

\*Postlude Mark Easter

\*(Congregation Please Stand)

Presiding: Paula O'Neal  
Greeters: Doyle and Madolyn Baughman  
Ushers: Dayle Robinson, Donna Stevenson, Amy Farmer  
A/V: Rick Zieger  
Nursery – Stu Sherman  
Bell Ringer: Kapri Walling  
Worship Center: Lois Russell

*Welcome! We believe every person who comes into this fellowship was sent by God. It is not an accident that we have the joy of meeting you now.*

*God is working in each of our lives. We welcome you and invite you to join us in our Spiritual walk in rich fellowship with God and His Son, Jesus Christ.*

*Welcome this day to the House of the Lord.*

### **Childcare**

Childcare (supervised by an adult) is available in the preschool room south of the balcony for anyone who wishes to use it during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

<p><b>HS</b>-Hymns of the Saints (big burgundy hymnal) <b>SP</b>-Sing for Peace (small burgundy hymnal) <b>NS</b>-Sing a New Song (small gold hymnal)</p>
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Sunday, **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, we will worship with the theme, “Testify of Love.” Barbara McKiernan is in charge of this service of testimony. Our ministry of music will be provided by Ron and Bobbi Ellis with Carita Juhnke as our pianist. Invite your neighbors to worship with you next Sunday. To help you prepare for the service, the World Church has provided the following scriptures:

Acts 1:15–17, 21–16; Psalm 1; I John 5:9–13; John 17:6–19;

II Nephi 13:27–32; Doctrine and Covenants 163:9

If you need a ride to church, call Barb Daily (784-6141), Clarence Snethen (784-3997) or the church (784-4405) on Sunday morning.

### **Graduation Reception**

Megan Neeley is graduating from Graceland today, with a degree in Wellness Program Management. All are invited to a celebration **today** at Cliff and Janie's "Maple St. Bed and Breakfast" (218 N. Maple) from 12:30 until 4:00 p.m.

### **Graduation Reception for Clint Foster**

All are welcome to share in Clint Foster's commencement and graduation party **today**, May 17. Commencement is at 2 p.m. in the LHS gymnasium. Clint's grad party will be 6-8 p.m. at Linden Street Coffee House. We hope to see you there!

**The Pastoral Care Commission** will meet on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at the church.

**Junior High Bible Study** will be held on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at Paul Davis and Evelyn Conrad's.

### **Adult Class Next Sunday**

Next Sunday, May 24, there will be one adult class, studying the article on “This Defining Moment” in the current *Herald* by Steve Veazey

### **Children's Activity**

Join us for a Summer Kick-Off Picnic at North Park on Sunday, May 31, at 12:30 p.m. Bring your family and enjoy an afternoon of food, fun, and hopefully some sun! Lunch, drinks, and treats will be provided. Bring yourselves and a lawn chair.

### **Food and Fellowship**

The Lamoni Congregation invites you to plan now to come, share the Food and Fellowship (a title change from “potluck”) next Sunday (May 24) in the lower auditorium, immediately following our worship service. We want you to “come” whether or not you have food to share. However, if you want to make a monetary contribution (but it’s not “expected”) in place of bringing food, the money will be used to purchase items for future meals. In support of our congregation’s focus to Reach Out!, the congregation is also inviting the Lamoni community to come, share the Food and Fellowship with us (with no expectation of contribution). For this reason, if you do bring food, we encourage you to bring enough for yourselves and someone else.

### **Junior High End-of Year Celebration**

Junior High youth and their families are invited to an end-of-year BBQ at North Park on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided. Bring yourselves and a lawn chair if you wish.

### **Small Groups**

The World Church is requesting that congregations and members participate in a process of discernment to consider the issue of conditions of church membership (e.g., should a person be required to be re-baptized even though they’ve already been baptized into a Christian church denomination). The pastorate would like to organize small groups (no more than 10 people per group) to consider and seek to discern God’s mind in relation to this issue. Would you please let us know if you would be interested in being part of a small group by either signing your name on the paper located on the small table next to the west door opening to the lower auditorium of the church or by contacting Ron, Nick, or Lorrie.

### **Congregational Conversations**

Please mark your calendars for Congregational Conversations, Sunday, May 24, in the lower auditorium at 1:00 p.m. (following Food and Fellowship). At least one of the topics of discussion will be World Church Policy and same sex marriages in Iowa.

### **Southern Aaronic Priesthood Cluster Meetings**

The next Aaronic Priesthood Cluster meeting will be held in September. Watch for more information.

### **Birthday Greetings to:**

Rich Harrop	May 17
Lila Barnhouse	May 18
Don Breshears	May 18
Barbara Higdon	May 18
Brent DeLong	May 19
Earl Snethen	May 19
Cameron Martin	May 21
Vivian Campbell	May 21

### **Upcoming Events**

Mon. May 18	7:00 p.m.	Pastoral Care Commission Meeting
Wed. May 20	7:00 p.m.	Prayer and Share – Nick Hartwig
Thurs. May 21	7:00 p.m.	Book of Mormon Study Group
Sun. May 24	9:30 a.m.	Church School
	10:40 a.m.	Communication Time – Bob Mesle
		Worship – Testimonies
		Barb McKiernan in charge
		Carita Juhnke, pianist
	12:00noon	POTLUCK