

Community of Christ

Lamoni Congregation

May 24, 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

Bob Mesle

Testify of Love Seventh Sunday of Easter

Prelude “Testify to Love” by Avalon Marjorie Foster

Welcome and Sharing

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 37: 26-27 NIV

Prayer for Peace Marie Hawley

Hymn “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” HS 19

*Invocation Barbara McKiernan

*Response

Disciples’ Generous Response Marie Hawley

Members of the congregation will write on their paper chain links something in their lives that may be keeping them from completely responding to the love of God.

“Touch Me, Lord, with Thy Spirit Eternal” HS 409

Message through Testimony

Testimony 1: Clarence Snethen

How has your response to God’s generosity changed your discipleship?

“Lord, Who Views All People Precious” verse 1 & 2 HS 459

Testimony 2: Evelyn Conrad

When have you felt chosen for a special task, much like when Matthias was chosen for his task?

Hymn “Oh, for a Faith That Will Not Shrink” HS 159

Prayer for the Congregation Les Gardner

*Hymn of Benediction “Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, We Go” HS 498

*Response

*Postlude

*(Congregation Please Stand)

Presiding: Barbara McKiernan

Greeters: Natalee and Bob Anderson

Ushers: Dayle Robinson, Joan Green, Dave Mohler

A/V: Ron Ellis

Nursery:

Bell Ringer: Olivia Conrad

Worship Center: Nancy Wallace

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.

HS-Hymns of the Saints (big burgundy hymnal) **SP**-Sing for Peace (small burgundy hymnal) **NS**-Sing a New Song (small gold hymnal)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food and Fellowship Today

The Lamoni Congregation invites you to share Food and Fellowship 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.

Congregational Conversations

All are invited to join the Congregational Conversations **today** 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.

Next Sunday, May 31st

The pastorate asks that you come prepared next Sunday, May 31, to receive the ministry of the Holy Spirit. The theme is “Come, Holy Spirit, Come.” There will be opportunity for you to share prayer during the worship experience. Diane Shelton will be our pianist for the service. To help you prepare for the service, the World Church has provided the following scriptures:

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b;

Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15; Alma 10:27-29;

Doctrine and Covenants 162:2e, 3, 4a, and 163:6c

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

Happy Birthday, Clarence

Monday, May 25th, is Clarence Snethen’s 90th birthday. Your birthday greetings and cards will be greatly appreciated.

Adult Church School

Next Sunday, May 31, will begin the summer adult Sunday School program, where we have a different teacher and topic each Sunday. Bill Russell will kick it off on May 31 with an update on his research on the Restoration Branches and other recent schismatic movements.

Children’s Activity

Join us for a Summer Kick-Off Picnic at North Park 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.

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 31st, at 5:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided. Bring yourselves and a lawn chair if you wish.

Senior Send-Off and End-of-Year Party

All senior high youth are invited to the Pitt family home next Sunday, May 31st, at 5:00 p.m. for a potluck and senior send-off. Table service and drink will be provided.

Anniversary Reception

Keith and Charlotte Elliott, together with their family, invite you to share in a celebration of sixty (60) years of marriage next Sunday, May 31st, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Trinity Christian Church.

Southern Aaronic Priesthood Cluster Meetings

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

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.

2nd Sunday Breakfasts

Captain Kurt will not be cooking pancakes this summer for our traditional second Sunday of the month breakfast. However, we have volunteers already in place for June 14 and August 9 so breakfast will continue to be served at the church from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Could you be our chef for July 12th? If you can help, please contact one of the co-pastors (Ron, Nick, or Lorrie).

Birthday Greetings to:

Myron Neal	May 24
Maryann Manuel	May 24
Marian Killpack	May 25
Clarence Snethen	May 25
Betty Paterno	May 25
Chelsey Remmenga	May 25
Jessica Blakesley	May 27
Dale Killpack	May 27
Dylan Pauli	May 27
Rachael Mikel	May 28
Paula O'Neal	May 28
Maxine Snethen	May 28
Jake Everett	May 29
Marie Hynden	May 29
Stephanie Shields	May 30
Bob Farnham	May 30

Upcoming Events

Tues. May 26	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts Blue and Gold Banquet
Wed. May 27	7:00 p.m.	Prayer and Share – Barbara Lee Collins
Thurs. May 28	7:00 p.m.	Book of Mormon Study Group
Sun. May 31	9:30 a.m.	Church School
	10:40 a.m.	Communication Time – Tammy Everett
		Worship – Pastorate in charge
		Diane Shelton, pianist