

The Messenger

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Carlock Mennonite Church



Worship 10:15 am
Sunday School 9:00 am

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JULY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 7	Morning Worship, Hospitality Time
Wednesday, July 10	Church Board meets, 7 pm
Sunday, July 14	Morning Worship
Sunday, July 21	Morning Worship
Sunday, July 28	Morning Worship

For July 2024

Hospitality Committee

Emma Brandt
Brenda Dozier
Melinda Hartter
Annie Schwoerer

Food Pantry Item

Cereal

Board News

- * Outreach - Tball game was fantastic – kudos to Carrie for organizing our free concessions. We should consider doing this more often.
- * Fall Sunday school teachers will be needed.
- * Pastoral Search Committee is in the process of developing a church profile and job description.
- * Basement floor is finished. Room dividers need to be replaced.
- * Radiator beside sound booth needs repair.
- * TV/Router install in basement is 90% complete.
- * Lift door has been repaired.
- * FEC conference is July 25/26 – would be good for some in our congregation to attend.
- * No scholarship applications have been received,

JULY BIRTHDAYS **and ANNIVERSARIES**

5	Rene' Atkinson
8	Deanelle Schieber
9	Jacob Schwoerer
11	Scott & Marissa Frietsch (A)
15	Greg & Chris Mohr (A)
15	Ann Brandt
16	Nancy Keith
16	Abby Pyne
17	Jerry Orndorff
30	Chris Mohr

Did you know....

The hymn, “God of Our Fathers”, was written in 1876, (the year of our nation’s centennial), by church pastor, Daniel Roberts, in Vermont. In 1889, New York church organist, George Warren, used the words, setting it to a new tune he wrote, named National Hymn. It was first printed in an 1892 hymnal and is often sung in churches in our century.

From Pastor Doane...

A park shelter and chicken wings: What do they have in common? A picnic?

That’s a decent answer, if you’re thinking about a July 4th cookout. I’m thinking of what I read this morning in Psalm 91.

¹Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

⁴He will cover you with his feathers,
and under his wings you will find refuge.

The verses bring two scenes to my mind, one from childhood and the other from last week.

My Grandpa and Grandma Kehr always kept a few dozen chickens. They roamed freely on the farm. When one of us youngsters got too close to the chicks, they'd scramble under their momma's wings.

They must have felt safe there. And I was surprised how intimidating a chicken can look when her little ones are threatened. How much more is God Almighty when His children are threatened?

But the first verse awakens a scene from last week. You remember the days were hot and the sun was bright. When I drove past a Morton park, there were three people resting in the open-air shelter. Their bikes were standing nearby and water bottles on a picnic table. That shelter is shaded by a huge oak. They all appeared to enjoy the respite from the sun and heat.

You probably know that refreshing feeling. It is the recovery that comes to you as you "dwell in the shelter of the Most High" and "rest in the shadow [or shade] of the Almighty."

There is real value to you in a positive and faith-filled testimony. You see that in these verses, also in Psalm 91:

² *I will say* of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."

⁹ *If you say*, "The Lord is my refuge,"
and you make the Most High your dwelling,

¹⁰ no harm will overtake you...

Words of confidence springing from a heart of faith bear good fruit.

In our VBS review on Sunday, I asked you to keep the children's memory verse before your eyes until it's imprinted in your memory and heart. How are you doing with it? Here's that verse:

The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. (Deuteronomy 31:8)

Rest assured.

Doane