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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Brotherhood

We are meeting on Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

### OWLS

We are taking the summer off, see you in the fall.

### T-Shirt Sunday

Join us and wear your favorite Christian t-shirt on Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Communion Services

We will have a separate tray with gluten free crackers for those who need them during our communion services. Please note they will look different from the bread squares.

### Miracle Hills children's Camp

This year's camp will be July 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, More information coming soon.

### Guideline for Prayer

- A- Acknowledgement of God
- C- Confession of our sins
- T- Thanksgiving
- S- Supplication (humbly asking for our needs)

Submitted by Kenneth Vogt

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### Thank You's

Thank you for the abundant support. Love, and prayers you have shown us and Gaige as we celebrated his accomplishments thus far. It is so heart-warming in the short time we have known you all, you are so giving and welcoming. All gifts, prayers, and blessing will continue to support Gaige as he studies Wildlife Outdoors Enterprise Management at K-State and fishes competitively on their Collegiate Bass Fishing Team.

With Love & Gratitude  
The Blanton Family

Thank you for letting us come and worship with you Sunday. We love to come and sing at Faith, because your people are so warm and welcoming.

Please thank your congregation for the love offering. We ask God's blessings on each and every one of you.

Sincerely,  
The New Generation singers



**Come Join Us For VBS July 9-13 2018!**

## From The Pastor's Desk

### “YOUR LEGACY”

This week, as I listened to the speaker at Student Life Camp, I came to a deeper realization of the importance of leaving a legacy. When we go to places like Orange Beach, we are captivated by the beauty of God's creation. If you don't think we have a big God, then you haven't stood at the shoreline of the Gulf, at night, and experienced its size and beauty. We truly see God's hand in creation at work. It also reminds me of the legacy He left. You see in Exodus 3: 14, God is replying to Moses' question as to how he is to tell God's people who led him to lead them out of Egypt. God simply replies, ***“I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you.”*** Fast forward to the Gospel of John and we see Jesus using “I AM” statements to reveal who he is to the people as well as how he is tied to the Father. Jesus tells us that ***“I AM*** the Light of the World,” ***“I AM*** the Bread of Life,” ***“I AM*** the Living Water,” ***“I AM*** the Resurrection and the Life,” ***“I AM*** the Way, the Truth, and the Life,” ***“I AM*** the Gate,” ***“I AM*** the Good Shepherd,” ***“I AM*** Teacher and LORD,” ***“I AM*** the Messiah,” not to mention the “Alpha and Omega,” and the “Beginning and the End.” Actually, the names for Jesus can go on and on but we have clarity that God the Father and God the Son are one and the same. Jesus is God's legacy to us in human form. As Jesus said, ***“No one can get to the Father except through me.”*** So how does this tie to you and me?

First, I want you to know that you can leave a legacy in two ways. First, you can leave a legacy through your descendants. Last, you can leave a legacy, good or bad, by how you have handled yourself while you have walked on this earth. Herb and Peggy Iffert were a couple who attended Faith before I came to be Pastor here. I am told that you could never meet two nicer people in the whole world and their actions speak to their name. You see, Herb and Peggy never had children of their own, but were blessed by God in a financial way. Because of this blessing, they decided to leave their legacy through donations. First, they left a very large financial sum to Missouri Western University to help fund students who wanted to get into the nursing field...wow how awesome is that?

They left the rest of their legacy to our church. We were told to invest it in helping build the future of our church, which is our children and students.

The first way we decided to use part of this gift is through our scholarship fund where we provide financial aid to our members, who are college students, and attend school full time. This is one way of extending the hand of

Faith out into the world and letting our students be a light wherever they attend. And the legacy grows!

The next way is through various youth and children activities. Because of their generosity, we have just completed our trip to Orange Beach. Our students got to experience another part of God's creation that they may have not otherwise got to see in their lifetime. Since I have been at Faith, we have taken our students to the Gulf Shores/Orange Beach Student Life Camp, the University of Texas at Arlington camp, the YMCA camp of the Rockies in Estes Park, to Lee University in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and to Windermere in southern Missouri. This year not only did our group get to “see the ocean,” more importantly they got to see God's people, from all over the country, come together as one family, the body of Christ, to worship. They got their first feel of what heaven will be like while standing in a room with a 1000 other students singing our praises to God and hearing the power of His Word. They got to experience God's love in a place, away from their “normal routine,” and an opportunity to reevaluate their relationship with the LORD, family, friends, and others. Am I living a life pleasing to God? Am I being an example for others to see Christ through me? What will my legacy look like? This is how you want to leave a legacy...to help people come to the LORD, and to make Him known.

There are still other events where we are using the Iffert's gift in helping make Jesus known this summer and one way is through our VBS, which will take place the week of July 9<sup>th</sup>, and then again at Miracle Hills Camp, which will take place July 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Between these two events, we will have the opportunity to present the Gospel to more than 100 children...how awesome is that? And the foundation for a legacy is continuing to be laid!

So, what kind of legacy are you leaving? Are you making an impact in this world for God's kingdom? My prayer for our church is that this will always be our ultimate legacy, “To know Christ, and to make Him known.” My prayer is that we will do whatever it take to get that done. That is a legacy I would like for us to leave, and I think it would be one that the Iffert's would want as well!

Be God's!

Pastor Jim

**Calendar of Events**

- July 1<sup>st</sup> - Communion Sunday
- July 3<sup>rd</sup> - Visitation Committee 11:15 am
- July 4<sup>th</sup> - Independence Day
- July 9<sup>th</sup> - Vacation Bible School 6:00 pm
- July 10<sup>th</sup> - Food Kitchen Team #1 5:00 pm
- July 10<sup>th</sup> - Vacation Bible School 6:00 pm
- July 11<sup>th</sup> - Vacation Bible School 6:00 pm
- July 12<sup>th</sup> - Vacation Bible School 6:00 pm
- July 13<sup>th</sup> - Vacation Bible School 6:00 pm
- July 15<sup>th</sup> - T-Shirt Sunday
- July 17<sup>th</sup> - Brotherhood 7:00 pm
- July 19<sup>th</sup> - Leader's Night 7:00 pm
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> - Lay Life Ice Cream Social 5:30 pm
- July 26<sup>th</sup> - Miracle Hills Camp 7/26-7/28

**Communion Assistants**

July 1<sup>st</sup> - Ruth sharp & Linda Trapp

**Acolytes**

- July 1<sup>st</sup> - Jordan Hill & Montana Frakes
- July 8<sup>th</sup> - Josh Oswald & Brodie DeSchepper
- July 15<sup>th</sup> - Rawlins Brant & Montana Frakes
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> - Josh Oswald & Jordan Hill
- July 29<sup>th</sup> - Rawlins Brant & Brodie DeSchepper

**Van Drivers**

- July 1<sup>st</sup> - Brent
- July 8<sup>th</sup> - Corey
- July 15<sup>th</sup> - Roy
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> - Brent
- July 29<sup>th</sup> - Corey

Report	Current Fund	Building Fund
May 27 <sup>th</sup> -	\$1,854.25	\$135.00
June 3 <sup>rd</sup> -	\$6,737.27	\$285.00
June 10 <sup>th</sup> -	\$3,843.00	\$1,670.00
June 17 <sup>th</sup> -	\$3,808.00	\$125.00
June 24 <sup>th</sup> -	\$1,622.00	\$30.00
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$17,864.52</b>	<b>\$2,245.00</b>

**\$11,291.00** needed each month to meet current expenses.

Attendance	Service	Sunday School
May 27 <sup>th</sup> -	83	26
June 3 <sup>rd</sup> -	245	4
June 10 <sup>th</sup> -	80	24
June 17 <sup>th</sup> -	82	33
June 24 <sup>th</sup> -	64	22

**ENCOURAGING VERSE FOR THE MONTH!**

*“Be Strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.”*

**Psalm 31:24**

**In Our Thoughts & Prayers**

**Praises:** We are truly Children of God – His own Chosen Ones

**Cancer Patients:** Paul Bridenstine (chronic leukemia); Andrew (5yr. old son of Central High teacher Mr. Hart) – is in remission with an inoperable brain tumor; Ryan Frakes (brother of Jack) – cancer; Tricia (friend of Donna Wood) – Hodgkin’s Lymphoma; Lance (Julie Oswald’s cousin in Houston, TX) – brain cancer; Leonard McCall’s cousin, Joyce’s youngest son, Craig Wright – advanced cancer; Steve Hall (48) – (brother-in-law of Steve Haskey) – diagnosed with colon cancer

**Other:** Continued prayers for Glenn Spitzer – family unity & health & friends; Donita Sunderland- chronic health issues; Heidi DeSchepper- chronic health issues; Donna Brooks- chronic health issues; Debi Haskey- chronic health issues; Coleman Collins (Linda Trapp’s great-nephew)- 12 yr. old- prayers for serious heart problems; The Catron Family; Elizabeth Schoenlaub & family; Brothers of Joanie Shaw – Ronny with diabetes; Andrew Powers (a K-State grad) – spending 3 years teaching in India (2020); Gracie Abersold- at Diversicare for rehab; The Bryson family- family issues; Scotty Sharp family- family issues; Jill Frakes- eye diseases; Leonard McCall’s Aunt Evelyn- on hospice; Courtney Hill- anxiety; Shelly Abersols- tumor found- further tests needed; Brady Arn (Dale & Janis’s grandson)- to boot camp; Carole McClellan’s friends Ellen Koch & Laurie Kallenbach- serious health issues; Linda Trapp – hives that come & go; Emmett Ritter (Jackie Ritter’s great grandson) – born at 26 weeks at Children’s Mercy – Dan & Tabitha; Donnie Smith – recovery from double by-pass surgery; Lis Knorr – 16 mo. Old fell broken arm & another bone broken; Leonard McCall’s cousin Joyce’s 30 yr. old granddaughter undergoing test-possible cancer

**Traveling Mercies:** Ashley West teaching in Thailand

**Sympathy:** to the families & friends of the two police officers killed in the line of duty in Kansas City, KS

**Finally:** all our people & programs; VBS & Miracle Hills; Recharge Worship Service & Portions Worship series; attitudes- may we live as Jesus told us- “love one another as I have loved you”; our music director, Steve Haskey; our youth Director, Alex King; Our Pastor Jim Oswald and their families; be **Of Good Courage!** – No opportunity is too small!

