

August 20-27, 2017

Today

Grace Helen Schoonhoven Baptism First Service - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes – all ages – 10:15 a.m. Summer Choir Practice - 10:15 a.m. Second Service - 11:15 a.m.

### Monday

Meeting of the Session, Great Hall, 5:30 p.m. Parish Deacons, 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday** Bagpipers, 1:00 p.m. (Tavern on 50<sup>th</sup>)

**Thursday** Faith Seekers Alliance Housekirk, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday

Early Risers Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 8:00 a.m. Pedals for Pastors Ride, 9:00 a.m. Missions Brunch, Great Hall, 10:00 a.m.

## Sunday, August 27

Mission Sunday Summer Choir Sings Pastries and Coffee, 9:00 a.m. Missionary Sharing Time, 9:15 a.m. Unified Service, 10:30 a.m. One Ancient Hope Housekirk, Hospitality Room, 5:30 p.m. **Our Weekly Concerns.** New additions will be listed in bold print, and names will be removed upon request. Names left on for more than 3 weeks will be removed at the discretion of the office. Please keep these friends in your prayers: **Pastor Gary Bock and Team and Timberline Church**, Carolyn Barnes, Beth Boeckemeier, Katie Brown, Regi Donaldson, Tom Edson, Judy Gaumer, Darlene Denison, Jonathan Griggs, **Bette Jones**, Ellen Kinnaird, Cyndy Kurtz, Marie McGhee, Paul MacLafferty, Paul Meinen, Tom and Dianne Paplham, Don Powers, Dallas Robison. Congratulations to: Styles and Amy Stadtlander on the birth of their son, Styles Austin Stadtlander, Jr.

**Raccoon River Baptism Service.** Last Sunday afternoon over 50 witnessed the following being baptized at the Raccoon River Park: Phil Carpenter, Lucy Meeker, Levi Meeker, Jonah Mudlaff, Nathanael Mudlaff and Isaiah Mudlaff.



**Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?** Here is your chance to get to know some other adults who attend Westkirk Presbyterian better. So, line up a babysitter and reserve the evening of Saturday, September 9, at 6:00 p.m. for dinner. We will arrange the locations and group and let you know where to go. You just have to fill

out the Red Door forms that can be found at the Welcome Center by **TODAY**. Each guest will bring a dish to share. The host will provide the main dish. You may be asked to bring a salad, dessert or rolls; it all depends on how many are coming for dinner.

Here's the catch: you are the only person who knows where you are going for dinner. The host will not know until you show up that evening; they will only know how many are coming. The other guests will not know who they are dining with until that evening, either. So, keep it a secret when you receive the details. If you have questions call either Sue Holcomb at 515-556-6742 or Brad Miller at 515-557-0012.

# Mission Focus Weekend Events - August 26 - 27



Pedals For Pastors Ride - 9:00 a.m. Saturday, August 26. Meet at Greenwood Park (in the parking lot of Ashworth swimming pool) by 9:00 a.m. We will ride our bikes to Westkirk for the morning brunch and program. It is an easy (5.5 mile)

ride and FAMILIES are encouraged to attend! Riders can simply join us for the ride *or* you can join us and donate to the cause. We are hoping to raise some funds to purchase bikes for pastors in Bangladesh through Advancing Native Missions. To purchase a bike it costs only \$100, but these bikes are *priceless*, as they will be used by pastors to travel from village to village sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please sign up on the Connect Card so we will know you are planning to join us!

**Brunch - 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 26.** Did you miss the deadline to sign up for the delicious brunch? It's not too late!! Please mark the Connect Card so we will know how many to plan for. We will meet in the Great Hall and hear from Oliver Asher, CEO of Advancing Native Missions. You will be challenged and blessed by the work God is doing through this ministry around the world! A freewill offering will be collected to purchase bicycles for missionaries in Bangladesh. This will be a family friendly morning!!

### Sunday, August 27:

**Panera Pastries and Coffee with the Missionaries - 9:00 a.m.** Enjoy pastries and coffee while you visit with the various missionaries at their tables in the Narthex and Lounge.

### Missionary Sharing Time - 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Unified Service - 10:30 a.m.

Urbandale Food Pantry Item for August - Shampoo



**Operation Christmas Child.** School time is here again. Now is the perfect time to purchase school supplies for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The supplies will greatly bless a child in need and provide an opportunity for them to learn about Christ

and His love for them. Great deals on supplies have been found at Menard's where 100 pens can be obtained for free with a rebate. Wal-Mart also has spiral bound notebooks for 25 cents each and crayons for 25 cents a box. Please consider picking up a few items for shoeboxes as you shop for your own children.

**Damaris House Update.** A new little baby boy has joined the Damaris family. He was born to M\_\_\_\_\_, one of the women who is recovering from sex trafficking at the Damaris House in Athens, Greece. Both mother and son are doing well. Please pray for the women and children living in this home and the staff as they continue to walk alongside them in their journeys to recovery. If you wish to support this work, please use a pew envelope marked "Missions." Write "Damaris" in the memo line of your check and drop it in the offering.

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