



Would you like us to pray for you??? Please let us know how we can help by calling or emailing the church office with prayer requests, updates, or visit requests. **If you have a friend or family member with a joy or concern, please ask them if it's ok to share the information with the congregation.** It is not our intention to share personal information without the permission of the individual or family members.

### SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those fighting cancer:

- ◆ Darwin Winkowitsch
- ◆ Mige Hyatt's nephew, Tracy Carter
- ◆ Marilyn Bates' nephew, Curt Ingwersen
- ◆ Shelley Kaiser - struggling with shoulder pain
- ◆ Tony & Tamy Gossman - health issues
- ◆ Praise for healthy babies & happy families!

*Paul & Kallen Augustad welcomed baby Sophia on March 25th!*

*Taylor & Miranda Mills welcomed baby Tate on April 10th!*

(As of this printing, Eric & Ashley Scheve are awaiting the arrival of their baby any day!)

### Keep a Notepad Close

Have you ever been distracted while praying? It often happens that we are praying and remember something important we need to do, or even another prayer request will come to mind. Use a simple notepad to help you jot down these new requests (or to-do items) and then get back to your conversation with the Lord. Don't let distractions keep you from having an effective prayer life.

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!



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**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP APRIL 14, 2024 - 10:30 AM**

**COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE IN THE MEMORIAL ROOM**

**A Self-Service Nursery is available for children.**

**WIFI GUEST NETWORK PASSWORD: FAITHGUEST**

**VISITORS—please fill out an information card at the Welcome Center.**

**We'd love to get to know you!**

Our worship service can be seen online via Facebook or YouTube & the audio version is available on our website. The service is also televised by Milford Communications (Channel 12) every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



- ◆ **Monday, April 15 - 5:00 PM - Prayer Group**
- ◆ **Tuesday, April 16 - 3:30-5:00 PM - Girl Scouts**
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 17 - 3:30-5:30 PM - Timber Bay**
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 17 - 7:00 PM - Choir Practice**
- ◆ **Spring Cleaning?** Please keep our Women of Faith Circle in mind as they will once again be holding their annual churchwide rummage sale along with their bake/produce sale during Milford Pioneer Days on July 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. A reminder that we do not accept clothing and we will begin to accept items at the church beginning July 22<sup>nd</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ **April 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> the Women of Faith Circle will be having their annual "Bakeless" Bake Sale. Donations are greatly appreciated and all proceeds go towards funding our missions and FCC projects for the year.**

### **Today's Hymns**

**FWS #2002 - "I Will Call Upon the Lord"**

**FWS #2032 - "My Life is in You, Lord"**

**Hymn #348 - "My Savior's Love" vs. 1 & 4**

**Hymn #349 - "O How He Loves You and Me"**

**Hymn #655 - "Sanctuary"**

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 - The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.  
**Please place your gifts, tithes, and offerings in the basket located near the tech booth.**

## **"Beautiful Collision - The Intersection of Religion and Jesus"**

1 There was a man named Nicodemus, a Jewish religious leader who was a Pharisee. 2 After dark one evening, he came to speak with Jesus. "Rabbi," he said, "we all know that God has sent you to teach us. Your miraculous signs are evidence that God is with you." 3 Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God." 4 "What do you mean?" exclaimed Nicodemus. "How can an old man go back into his mother's womb and be born again?" 5 Jesus replied, "I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. 6 Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. 7 So don't be surprised when I say, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows wherever it wants. Just as you can hear the wind but can't tell where it comes from or where it is going, so you can't explain how people are born of the Spirit." 9 "How are these things possible?" Nicodemus asked. 10 Jesus replied, "You are a respected Jewish teacher, and yet you don't understand these things? 11 I assure you, we tell you what we know and have seen, and yet you won't believe our testimony. 12 But if you don't believe me when I tell you about earthly things, how can you possibly believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13 No one has ever gone to heaven and returned. But the Son of Man has come down from heaven. 14 And as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. 16 "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. 17 God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. 18 "There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son. 19 And the judgment is based on this fact: God's light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. 20 All who do evil hate the light and refuse to go near it for fear their sins will be exposed. 21 But those who do what is right come to the light so others can see that they are doing what God wants." ~John 3:1-21 NLT

What do we know about Nicodemus from this passage? What are we to believe about Jesus from this passage?

What does it mean to be born again? Could you explain this to someone asking you?

Is it hard for you to believe that God desires an internal transformation in your life rather than external conformity? Why are Jesus's words to Nicodemus a message of hope for all of us?



**Apr. 14 - Ushers - Kathy Lockey**

**Apr. 21 - Ushers - Joline West**

**Apr. 28 - Ushers - Gary Vitito**

**May 5 - Ushers -**

**Welcome Center - Joline West**

**Welcome Center -**

**Welcome Center - Sondra Vitito**

**Welcome Center -**