



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!

Eric & Ashley Scheve welcomed baby Lincoln on April 12th!

Get moving...

When prayer feels like a battle with the noise in your head, try taking a prayer walk. Rhythmic physical movement like walking, running, or repetitive exercises can aid attention. One of the many benefits of physical exercise is the increase of brain chemicals that impact focus and concentration. Why not plan to redeem your exercise time for prayer? Improve the health of your mind, body, and soul - all at the same time!

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!!



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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP APRIL 21, 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 22 - 5:00 PM - Prayer Group**
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 24 - 3:30-5:30 PM - Timber Bay**
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 24 - 7:00 PM - Choir Practice**
- ◆ **Thursday, April 25 - 3:15-4:30 PM - Girl Scouts**
- ◆ **Friday, April 26 - 3:00-8:00 PM - Iowa Lakes Piano Festival**
- ◆ **Saturday, April 27 - 8:00-Noon - Iowa Lakes Piano Festival**
- ◆ **The Evangelism Team will be meeting after church on April 28, 2024 in the Conference Room.**
- ◆ **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 26th & 27th. A reminder that we do not accept clothing and we will begin to accept items at the church beginning July 22nd through the 25th.**
- ◆ **Today the Women of Faith Circle are having their annual "Bakeless" Bake Sale. Your support is greatly appreciated and all proceeds go towards funding our missions and FCC projects for the year.**

Today's Hymns

Hymn #505 - "He Touched Me"

Hymn #510 - "Heaven Came Down" vs. 1 & 3

Hymn #479 - "Softly and Tenderly" vs. 1, 2 & 4

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.

"Collision Course"

Read John 4:1-42

Samaritans were considered outcasts - unlovable, unsavable. Who would modern day Samaritans be in our world? In your life?

Jesus does not say, "clean up your act, come back here when you are all put together, and then I will offer Myself to you." Instead, He encounters the woman exactly where she is - in the regular stuff of her regular, messy life - and invites her into a life with Him. What does that stir in you? Do you struggle to believe this is the invitation of God? Have you ever experienced God meeting you with love in a messy part of your life?

Jesus tells the Samaritan woman that all the arguments about where and how worship should happen are unimportant. What matters is the heart of those who come to Him (vs. 19-24). Do we still have these kinds of divisive arguments? Where do you see them happening? What do you think Jesus means when He says He desires people who worship in spirit and truth?

There are times in Scripture when Jesus says "Follow Me!" and there is an immediate faith response. But there are other times - like this encounter - when the faith response is slower. There can be lots of questions, misunderstandings, and even disbelief before there is faith. Do you identify at all with the woman in this story? In what way(s)? What does this conversation teach you about God and His posture toward our questions, misunderstanding, and disbelief?

How can you encourage others to quench their spiritual thirst this week?



Apr. 21 - Ushers - JoAnn Heerdt

Apr. 28 - Ushers - Gary Vitito

May 5 - Ushers -

May 12 - Ushers -

Welcome Center -

Welcome Center - Sondra Vitito

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