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The Messenger

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of LUVERNE

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hearts.
minds.
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From the Pastor

Happy June everyone!

Could it be that summer might be here? The weather has been doing a lot of teasing in that direction, hasn't it? I must tell you that May was pretty full and crazy and I'm hoping for a summery June!

May was filled with emotion and I am going to take a moment of privilege and get on my soap box a bit. Many, many things are swirling around us from all kinds of directions. Recently, we said goodbye to a couple of very important people in our midst, which was difficult. Both impacted much of what happens around us and we will miss them. Conference was full of emotion as well, the coming future uncertain. Tragedy filled our nation, especially with the most recent school shooting when 19 precious little lives were taken from us. Other shootings surrounded us as well, in New York and other places. Too much to even count!! Our country is also dealing with struggles with gas prices, border issues, and people not really getting along very well, among other craziness.

Honestly, it all makes one's head spin! Enough...

So here's my soapbox: Pointing fingers, turning away from each other, being angry, blaming...the list goes on...all of those things will not solve anything. We can make rules and govern all kinds of things, but that only amounts to control and that isn't an answer.

Dear friends, there is only one answer to help us get through all of this, and that answer is Jesus. Our nation has worked hard to eliminate the idea of Jesus, it is difficult to even be able to speak the words in some places and can often come to legal ramifications if it "goes too far." Certainly, you have heard of the coach who lost his job simply because he wanted to pray after games, because some of his students decided to join him. That is in what year of lawsuits!

BUDGET

GENERAL BUDGET TOTALS

May 1, 2022 thru May 22, 2022

Envelopes	$ 11,134.00
Loose offering	$ 306.00
Apportionments	$ 100.00
Online Giving (May)	$ 4,905.00
	$ 16,445.00
TOTAL	**$ 16,445.00**

NON-BUDGET DONATIONS

Silver Bucket	$ 169.00
Upper Room	$ 3.00
SS Children	$ 204.11
Easter	$ 300.00
Compassion Fund	$ 108.33
	$ 784.44
TOTAL	**$ 784.44**

TOTALS	**$ 16,445.00**
	$ 784.44
	$ 17,229.44
GRAND TOTAL	**$ 17,229.44**

PLEASE NOTE:

THIS TOTAL DOES NOT INCLUDE MAY 29TH OFFERING. ONLINE GIVING FOR MAY.

Date	Lay Reader	Hosts	Power Point	Sound	Tellers
June 5 Outdoor Service	David Vis	Terry and Peggy Nelson	Jeanne Bowron	David Vis	Jack and Felicia Hanson
June 12	Laura Hollaren	Laura Hollaren	Carol McDonald	Matthew Fick	Everett and Jan Brandenburg
June 19	Mandie Petersen	Bryce Schomacker	Jennifer Hilfers	Luther Hall	Gene Ashby
June 26	Lola Donth	Christine VonHoltum	Jennifer Hilfers	Jason Kruse	Jay and Bev Mann

Date	Worship Assistants	Coffee Makers
June 5 - Outdoor Service	Jeanne Bowron	Lola Donth
June 12	Mary Gehrke	The Dwire Family
June 19	Willy Baker	Mary Gehrke
June 26	Emily Crabtree	Felicia Hanson

Communion: Ashley Christensen **Video**: Beth Fick

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK FOR JUNE 2022

May 30, 2022 thru June5 - Cody Gehrke
June 6, 2022 thru June 12, 2022 - Al Aanenson
June 13, 2022 thru June 19, 2022 - Morris Fick
June 20, 2022 thru June 26, 2022 - Jeanne Bowron
June 27, 2022 thru July 3, 2022 - Roger Carlson

We need Jesus in our lives. We are designed for a relationship with Jesus. Jesus loves us more than anything or anyone else we know. He has reserved blessings for us, He desires our friendship. We aren't here by accident, God created us! He created us to love us and to make Him smile.

And as much as we think we don't need Him, or we can take Him or leave Him, everything we see around us tells us we do need Him, and not just when we feel like it, but always. He has more wisdom and guidance that we could ever find, his comfort and his hope gives us a future and peace!

I'm afraid…unless we get the idea that Jesus wants to be a part of our lives and start taking this seriously, it's going to keep getting worse. Isn't it time to put control, selfishness, right-fighting and all the other "junk" to rest and get on our knees? Honestly, I don't know what else to do! Aren't we ready to heal the brokenness? The only way I know how is with Jesus!
Something is missing, and until we understand what that is, we will keep seeing pain everywhere we turn.

Thank you for letting me cry! I'm sad at all the things I see! I'm glad I love Jesus with all that I am! I wish that for all of you as well.

Love and Hugs,

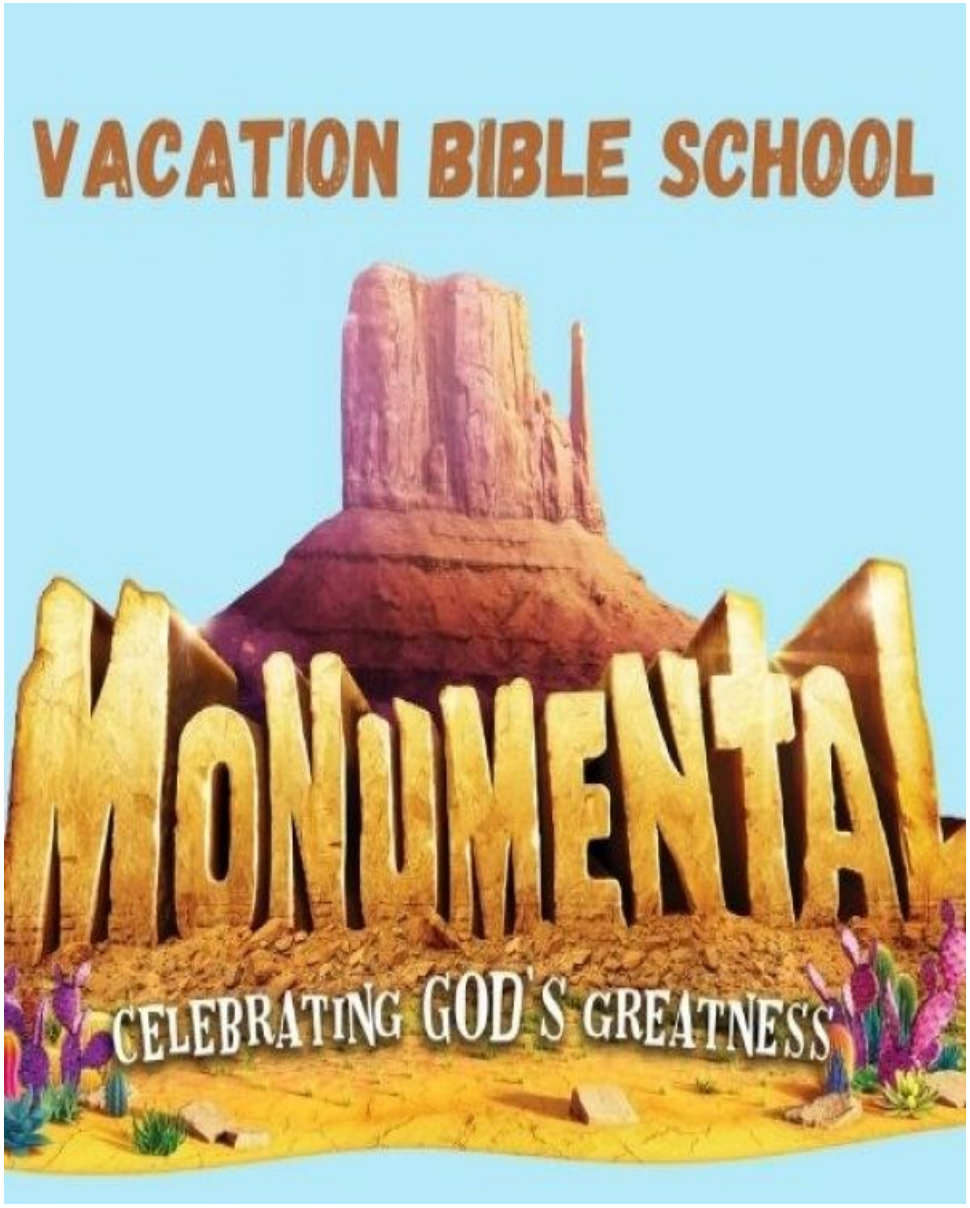
Pastor Dorie

LUMC UPCOMING EVENTS

- Pie and Ice Cream Social - June 3
- Outdoor Worship Service - June 5
- Outdoor Service in backyard - June 5
- Father's Day - June 19
- Outdoor Service at the Lake - July 3
- Outdoor Service in backyard - August 7
- MJB and Poplar Creek Services - August 7

COMMUNION SUDAY
JUNE 12, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

SHUT IN COMMUNION
JUNE 21, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM



Classes Begin at 6:30pm and are
Wednesdays in June:

June 8, June 15, June 22, and June 29

See you there!

COMING SOON!

We will be having a new Luverne UMC Handbook coming out this month. This will contain much of the same information as the first one, along with a few additions of course, changes to our member directory and the Worship Assistant lists of names and responsibilities and more. There is still time to get any address changes, etc. into the office. We would like to keep these handbooks as current as possible for all of you. If you feel you may have something to add or have changes to report, please do so as soon as you can. Thanks so much for your help! ~ Jakki

Minnesota Twins Quilt Raffle

Raffle Tickets available through June 25th
with the drawing on June 26th.
$5.00 each or 5 for $20.00
Tickets will be available after church service
and at the Ice Cream Social on 6/3.
Need not be present to win

Proceeds will go to Sewn In Faith Ministry

OLD-FASHIONED PIE AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

FRIDAY JUNE 3

5:00PM – 8:00PM

Luverne United Methodist Church
109 S. Freeman – Front Courtyard
(sun outside- rain inside)
During the Buffalo Days CRUISE IN

The Prayer Chain Please call Jan Brandenburg @ 283-4059 for specific announcements. Our prayer chain has been expanded to include our faith family and areas of ministry on a rotating basis. Who couldn't use the help of prayers in life occasionally? The Prayer Chain list for the month is as follows:

WEEK OF June 5, 2022 – Jason and Mandy Brecher Family, Brad and Heather Petersen Family, Christine VonHoltum. Stephen Foster, Laura Hollaren, Colby Crabtree and for the Rock County School System.

WEEK OF June 12, 2022 – Adam and Amanda Breheny Family, Eleanor Dicks, Bryce and Ginger Schomacker Family, Elwayne Petersen, Ralph Watts, Rick and Deb Ward and for the Outreach Ministry.

WEEK OF June 19, 2022 – Kim Donth, Pastor Dorie and Luther Hall Family, Ashley Kluever, Erika Menning Family, Josh and Brooke VandeHoek, Andrew Hanson and for our Prayer Ministry

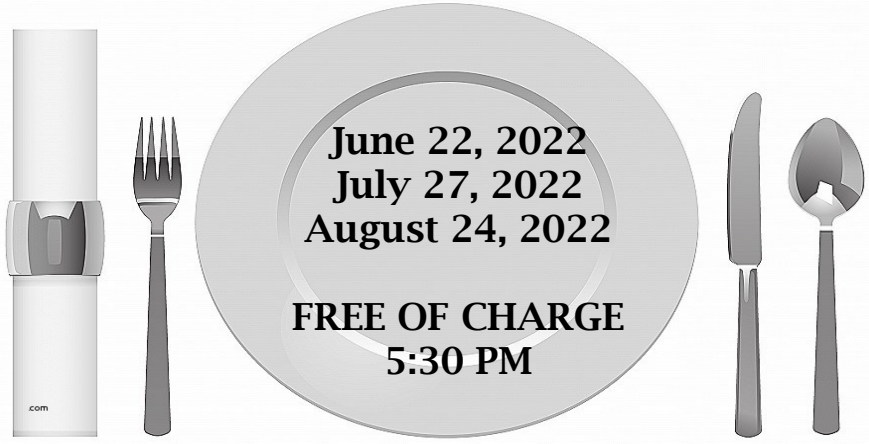
WEEK OF June 26, 2022 – Al and Dixie Aanenson, Karen Buus, Paul Jr., and Lola Donth, Raymond Hawkins, Jay and Bev Mann, Lee and Megan Tapper and for our United Methodist Women.

Sunday, June 19, 2022

A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.

Happy Father's Day!

Community Meal



June 22, 2022
July 27, 2022
August 24, 2022

FREE OF CHARGE
5:30 PM

__Sponsor a broadcast for $90.__ The chart for 2021 is on the bulletin board by the church office. Signup today!!!! **UMC TV** broadcast can be seen on Mondays @ 3:00pm and Fridays @ 5pm on Vast Local Channel 3. **Listen to KQAD** Radio Broadcast on Sundays at 10:30am on 800 Radio. **Here is a list of our supporters for the month of May 2022:**

May 1, 2022 - This broadcast was sponsored by Travis and Amber Arends in honor of Aunt Ella for spreading light in the darkness. Thank you for sponsoring this broadcast and may God bless you!

May 8, 2022 - This broadcast was sponsored by Travis and Amber Arends in honor of Aunt Ella for always showing and reminding us all to Love thy Neighbor. Thank you for sponsoring this broadcast and may God bless you!

May 15, 2022 - This broadcast was sponsored by Roger and Sandy Vogt in honor of Dallas Bowron and his long life and the legacy he created with his family in this church. Thank you for sponsoring this broadcast and may God bless you!

May 22, 2022 - This broadcast was sponsored by Randy and Marcia Mulder in loving memory of Ray VanWyhe for he had a heart of gold! Thank you Randy and Marcia for sponsoring today's broadcast!

May 29, 2022 - This broadcast was sponsored in honor of our 38th Annual Buffalo Days. May the weather be wonderful so all can attend the special events offered, including our Ice Cream Social and our outdoor Services.

UMC Luverne Members and Friends that live in Special Homes.

Mary Jane Brown Home - Luverne

- Ardie Schmidt

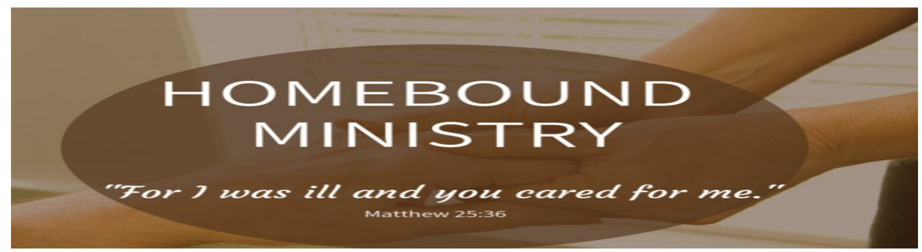
Poplar Creek Assisted Living - Luverne

- Bill Holling - Annabelle Frakes

The Oaks - Luverne - *Sally Cooksley*

MN Vets Home - Luverne - *Buster Rust*

Evans Memorial Home - Cresco, IA - *Carol Ohlsen*

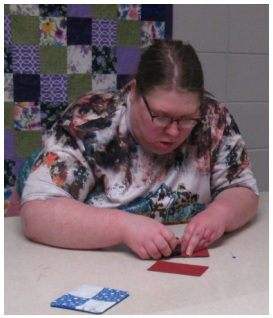


It has been so great since we resumed our monthly visits. We visit and share Holy Communion with those wonderful members of our community and faith family who find it difficult to join us here at the church. If you would like us to bring communion to you, please call the office. We will continue to do so on the **third Tuesday of every month** as long as the health of our community and the place of residence allows us to do so! Every time we have so much fun visiting with everyone

Our next communion visit is:

June 21, 2022 ~ 10am

Our Faith Family had so much fun in May!!…See for yourself…First we have some fun with our Sewn in Faith Quilting crew…



…Fun at the pool with our youth…

Happy Birthday

June.....2022

6 Madison Crabtree
10 Jessica VandeHoef
11 Jon Menning
12 Mark Dahl
14 John Bowron
Tyler Reisdorfer
15 Bob Frakes
Duane Mulder
16 Carol McDonald
17 Evelyn Reyne
Carol Grimaldo
20 Adam Breheny
21 Marilyn VanWyhe
Karis Dwire
Lola Donth
23 Quinn Connell
24 Bev Mann
Norbert Fick
26 Peggy Nelson
Brittany Mulder
27 Kaden Anderson
29 Hayden Sauer

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What's the real meaning of Father's Day?

Father's Day originated with a Spokane, Washington, woman's idea more than a century ago, according to widely accepted accounts.

After listening to a **Mother's Day** sermon in church in 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd wanted to honor and celebrate her dad—a widower and father of six. She felt it was important, and that mothers were getting all the acclaim while fathers were equally deserving of a day of praise.

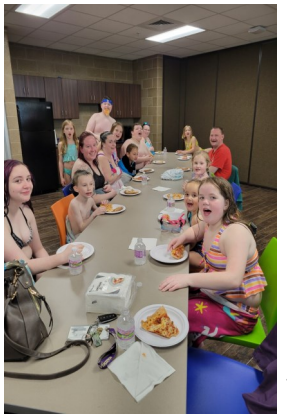
The next year, Dodd tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother's Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials seeking out support. It worked—at least in Washington State, where the nation's first statewide Father's Day was celebrated June 19, 1910.

Slowly, more states began to observe the holiday. Finally in 1924, President Calvin Coolidge encouraged state governments to participate. Today, fathers are honored each third Sunday of June.

It's no secret that even now many people believe the importance of Father's Day pales in respect to Mother's Day. That's a sentiment that dates back to when the holiday was slow to take root, largely due to the reactions of fathers themselves.

"Men scoffed at the holiday's sentimental attempts to domesticate manliness with flowers and gift-giving," wrote one historian, according to Bustle.com. "Or they derided the proliferation of such holidays as a commercial gimmick to sell more products—often paid for by the father himself." Over time, though, most families came to embrace the day as a way to allow some of the fanfare given to mothers in May to spread to the man of the house in June.

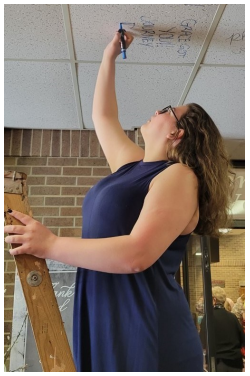
Who doesn't love great food and conversation??



And this just looks fun! Balloons and more in the Sanctuary!

Senior Sunday is here again...

Congratulations to Journey Dwire, Josey Klosterbuer and Zachary Kruse on your big day! Signing the ceiling tile is such a neat tradition here...



Great pic here too with Pastor Dorie!

And with great joy, we here at Luverne UMC proudly baptized Calihan Michael Wenninger into our Faith Family!

May was filled with so much joy!

June 2022 Silver Bucket

This month's silver Bucket goes toward supporting our Children and Youth Ministry programs here at the church. This would include supplies, curriculum, activities, mission trips and much more.

These programs are so very important, especially in today's world. We ALL need Jesus now more than ever, especially our youth.

Please do all you can to help these programs continue. It is all appreciated. Thank you!

June 12, 2022

Please feel free to join us after the service... all are welcome!

The Sewn in Faith team has been having so much fun together that we have decided to meet 2 times each month. We will be meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month now.

We are still meeting in the old Food Shelf Room at 1:30pm.

Our meetings for June are June are:

15

June 14th and June 28th

Summer is upon us and therefore it is time to get back "out" there and enjoy the summer weather and sunshine!! So...we are going to hold Outdoor Worship Services the first Sunday of each month for the next three months (depending on Mother Nature and her weather choices of course). All are welcome to join us!

The dates and locations are as follows:

June 5th here in our beautiful backyard ~
July 3rd at the Lake ~
August 7th here in our own backyard again

Outdoor Services have been wonderful in the past...please mark your calendars! The Holy Spirit is felt outside as well as in! Please bring your lawn chairs and join us!

Potluck Picnic ~ June 5, 2022

Be sure to mark your calendars for June 5th and join us for a fun time at a potluck picnic here in our lovely backyard after our service. All are welcome to join us for the fun! It will be nice for all of us to gather together with our faith family with food and fellowship. We are excited...don't miss out!

Please bring a dish to share and we will see you there!

From Your Church Council…
April 19, 2022 Meeting Highlights

Trustees
- The new picnic tables are here.
- A new stove was put in the parsonage.
- All bills for the kitchen remodel are paid. The kitchen remodel included counters, appliances, flooring, and painting. We will be looking into the Upper Room next.

Children's Ministries/Youth Leadership
- The FUEL Auction had its best year ever with $6,500 raised for Children and Youth Ministry Programs here.
- There was an end-of-the year pool party in Sioux Falls at Midco Aquatic Center on May 4, 2022.

Scholarship Fund
- The Scholarship Fund will have a meeting on April 25, 2022 at 7pm.
- There are three seniors this year. They are Journey Dwire, Zachary Kruse, and Josey Klosterbuer.
- Senior Recognition Sunday is scheduled for Sunday, May 15, 2022. Scholarships will be given at that time.

Endowment Fund
- Endowment Fund grant applications are due by July 15, 2022.
- Grant rewards will be given out on Endowment Sunday which is September 11, 2022.

UMW
- A motion was made, seconded, and carried to start a new work group method by utilizing those interested in serving the church through signup sheets. This will include the decision that the LUMC will not be providing cakes etc. for events.
- The UMW (United Methodist Women) is now called United Women.
- God Circle meets the first Tuesday of every month at 1:30pm with 10 people each meeting. It's going very well.
- Quilting Ministry is also going well according to Becky Anderson. The new name is Sewn in Faith. There is a wish list for supplies needed on the website. If you would like to help this ministry, you may purchase items by clicking the link on the churches Facebook page.
- New Bibles are purchased and in the pews. Feel free to take it home.

Website/Technology
- We are still looking for volunteers for help with live streaming.

New Business:
- Annual Conference was May 24-25, 2022.
- We will be giving out new Luverne UMC Handbooks. We will be distributing/mailing these in the middle to late June.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2022 at 6:30pm

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June

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PASTOR DORIE VACATION **JUNE 13-19TH**			1 **8pm** - AA Meeting	2	3 **5-8pm** - Pie and Ice Cream Social	4 **8pm** - AA Meeting
5 Pentecost Sunday **9:30am -** Adult Sunday School **10:30am** - Streamed Worship Service **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study **Potluck Picnic/Service in the backyard**	6	7 **1:30pm** - God's Circle **7pm -** Cub/Boy Scouts	8 **6:30pm** - Vacation Bible School **8pm** - AA Meeting	9	10	11 **8pm** - AA Meeting
12 1st Sunday after Pentecost **9:30am -** Adult Sunday School **10:30am** - Streamed Worship Service - Communion **Prayer Warriors after Service** **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	13	14 **1:30pm** - Sewn in Faith **7pm -** Cub/Boy Scouts	15 **6:30pm** - Vacation Bible School **8pm** - AA Meeting	16	17	18 **8pm** - AA Meeting
19 2nd Sunday after Pentecost **9:30am -** Adult Sunday School **10:30am** - Streamed Worship Service **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study **Happy Father's Day!** Katie Chapman Pulpit Supply	20 MESSENGER DEADLINE	21 **10:30am -** Shut in visits **6pm -** Trustee Meeting **6:30pm** - Ch. Council Meeting	22 **5:30 -** Community Meal **6:30pm** - Vacation Bible School **8pm** - AA Meeting	23	24	25 **8pm** - AA Meeting
26 3rd Sunday after Pentecost **9:30am -** Adult Sunday School **10:30am** - Streamed Worship Service **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	27	28 **9:30am** - Folding Team **1:30am -** Sewn in Faith **7pm -** Cub/Boy Scouts	29 **6:30pm** - Vacation Bible School **8pm** - AA Meeting	30	**July 1**	**2** **8pm** - AA Meeting