

Luverne UMC July Messenger

Greeting Faith Family ~

The article below was written by Randy Alcorn a bit ago. It seems to be fitting for all the things happening around us today. Have we become a judgmental society? Does the fact that we can cancel people and even businesses out by sharing our opinion count as being judgmental? What are your thoughts as to where this important subject fits into YOUR life? Important subject for today!

Why are anti-judgmental people so judgmental? In our postmodern culture, the most quoted and wisely recognized verse is not "For God so loved the world," but "judge not." Being judgmental is seen by the world as the cardinal sin, the epitome of hypocrisy that Christians have a corner on. But it's not just the world that's quick to label Christians as "judgmental." Some Christians are often all too ready to call other believers judgmental.

There's a growing trend I've noticed and have become concerned about: namely, that people who are anti-judgmental are SO judgmental of anyone else they perceive to be passing judgment. One, they're often wrong; two, they're just as harsh as those they condemn and continuously assume the worst. It's interesting when these attitudes come from people who pride themselves on their tolerance and constantly condemn others for being judgmental. Isn't calling people hypocrites, when you don't know them, their heart or their motives, somewhat judgmental?

We are losing a sense of unique reverence for God. Terms such as "awesome" were once reserved for God, but now describe a good catch, new music download or a tasty corn dog.

Several people will be quick to assume we are judging those who were using "awesome" and trying to make people feel guilty from speaking from their hearts, or they indicated the promotion of legalism.

But unfortunately, this "judgmental about those who are deemed as judgemental" attitude is not limited to social media. It transcends to doctrinal beliefs such as hell, in which those who believe what Jesus said in Scriptures are accused of not being like Jesus. Meanwhile, those who don't take Christ's words about hell seriously, commend themselves as being like Jesus. (Since Jesus taught the reality of eternal hell, who are we to think we're too loving to believe there is such a place? Do we think we're more loving than Jesus?)

I would encourage everyone to do this: don't believe the worst, and be slow to label others as "judgmental." Show respect and treat others with dignity. Above all, please don't condemn people by presuming you know their motives.

James 1:19 puts it this way:

"Let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger."

Pastor Dorie



Our Luverne UMC Members in Special Homes:

Mary Jane Brown Home - Luverne ~ Bill Holling and Ardie Schmidt ~ David Johnson

Poplar Creek Assisted Living - Luverne ~ Annabelle Frakes

The Oaks ~ Luverne ~ Sally Cooksley

The MN Vet's Home ~ Buster Rust

We typically have visiting day scheduled for the first and Third Tuesday at 10am, but due to the holiday, we will just visit on the third Tuesday, July 18, 2023.



COMMUNION SERVICE JULY 9, 2023

SHUT IN COMMUNION/VISITS JULY 18, 2023



- Service at The Lake- July 2
- Vacation bible School -July 10-13
- Annual Salad Luncheon - August 3
- ALIVE Youth Retreat - August 16-18
- Sewn in Faith - September 12



Community Meal

July 26, 2023
August 23, 2023
September 27, 2023

Please Join Us
FREE OF CHARGE
5:30 PM



The second Sunday of every month.

There is strength in numbers.
Prayer Warriors are definitely
needed to help those we know
personally in need and for things
happening in our world today that
need us to pray and stand strong
with them to overcome!

Our next meeting is
July 9, 2023
after our service in the sanctuary
All are welcome!



Sponsor a broadcast for \$95. The chart for 2023 is on the bulletin board by the church office. Signup today!!!!

Here is a list of our honoree supporters for June 2023:

June 4, 2023 - On this day we honored our church and congregation and all we do as a faith family to be there for one another and our community.

June 11, 2023 - Today's broadcast is sponsored in honor of this Luverne United t Church. 150 years of bringing people closer to our Lord and Savior.

June 18, 2023 - Today's broadcast is in honor of all those dad's in our faith family and beyond.

June 24, 2023 - This broadcast was sponsored in honor of summer and summer giving!

Silver Bucket and Trunk Ministry July 2023

All Silver Bucket/Trunk donations for the month of July will be going to support the Rock County Food Shelf. They are located at 208 W. Maple Street and are open every Thursday from 1-3pm and now are open a second time on the first and third Thursday from 5-6pm. We will have a trunk located in the sanctuary for cans of soup in honor of Soup-er Bowl for Caring.



The Prayer Chain

Please call Jan Brandenburg @ 283-4059 for specific announcements or if you or someone you know needs extra prayer. We are here to help!

The Prayer Chain list for the month of July is as follows.

WEEK OF July 2, 2023 - Paul Nath and Jean Bolluyt, Ian and Kristen Ruppert Family, Chris Schaeffer and Lordina Osei-Ofori Family, Adam VonHoltum and for Evangelism.

WEEK OF July 9, 2023 - Mike and Traci Davis Family, Charlie and Alisha Jackelen Family, Beverly Ford, Connie Olson, Kathy Schadwinkel, and for the Revival of our Nation.

WEEK OF July 16, 2023 - Jeff and Johnna Ahrendt Family, Josh and Ashley Christensen Family, Jason and Brittany Remme, James Hanson, Clyde and Ginny Menning and for Senior Dining.

WEEK OF July 23, 2023 - Jack and Felicia Hanson, Ed and Cherise Ray Family, Jordan and Andrea Sparks Family, LaVonne Anderson, Wendy Jamison Family and for our Leadership and Pastor.

WEEK OF July 30, 2023 - Adam and Amanda Breheny Family, Eleanor Dicks, Bryce and Ginger Schomacker Family, Elwayne Petersen, Ralph Watts, and for our Outreach Ministries.



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On Thursday August 3, 2023 we will host out Annual Salad Luncheon. It will be held from 11am-1pm. The cost is as follows:

Adults: \$10

Children 12 and Under \$5



Please mark your calendars for August 16th-18th for our Summer Retreat. This is the year we travel to Inspiration Hills for an always fun adventure! Registrations have gone out. Please return them ASAP with a \$25 registration fee. We also ask your thoughts as to what activities you'd like to do!



Please continue to turn in your Sunshine receipts. Sunshine Gift Cards are also available, but are not a substitute for the receipts!

The Games We Play!

Vacation Bible School

Monday - Thursday
July 10 - July 13, 2023
@ LUMC
6:15pm-7:30pm.
Be sure to mark your calendar!

YOU ARE INVITED WELCOME TO ALL ADULTS!!

We are so happy to share with you our special year of Vacation Bible School with the kiddos!!

The theme this year was "The games we Play" and how the kids can experience Jesus through those games they play!

This is a very special invitation for all to join in with our kiddos to explore and play the games of our youth such as Tiddlywinks, Marbles, Pick up Sticks, Jacks, etc. It will be great fun for all!!

After we play a bit we will be sharing a meal together!! We hope you will join us on our last night!!

Thursday, July 13th at 6:15 until done!! See you there!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2 - Myles Maurer	16 - Kathryn Dahl
3 - Randy Mulder	18 - Penny Cattnach
4 - Dale Reverts	19 - Travis Dwire
Dawn Cope	Sandy Vogt
6 - Jace Yamauchi	20 - Bruce Reisdorfer
Emerie Sauer	24 - Ardie Schmidt
8 - Jerry Wieman	25 - Shane Sauer
10 - Jakki Lindsley	26 - Everett Brandenburg
12 - Anissa Vis	Linda Hanson
Morgan Ahrendt	27 - John Hilfers
14 - Nicole Davis	28 - Shannon Dwire
Sally Cooksley	30 - Ray Hankins

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Worship Responsibilities

Date	Lay Reader	Hosts	Power Point	Sound	Counters	Worship Assistants	Coffee	Gift Cards
July 2	Service at the Lake	Service at the Lake	Service at the Lake	Service at the Lake	Jack & Felicia Hanson	Service at the Lake	Service at the Lake	Service at the Lake
July 9	Lola Donth	Bill and Maggie Paulsen	Jeanne Bowron	Luther Hall	Everett & Jan Brandenburg	Felicia Hanson	Anissa Vis	Mary Gehrke
July 16	Travis Dwire	Willy Baker	Carol McDonald	Matthew Fick	Gene Ashby	Willy Baker	Lola Donth	Christine VH
July 23	Mary Gehrke	Sharron Betsinger and Sue Stroh	Reegan Gabrielson	Jason Kruse	Jay & Bev Mann	Jeanne Bowron	Jeanne Bowron	Becky A.
July 30	Laura Hollaren	Christine VonHoltum	Jeanne B. or Carol M.	Luther Hall	Jack & Felicia Hanson	Sandy Vogt	Wyatte Krise	Karis Dwire

Communion	Video
Jim Hanson	Beth Fick

Trustee of the Week	
June 26, 2023 through July 2, 2023	Roger Carlson
July 3, 2023 through July 9, 2023	Beth Fick
July 10, 2023 through July 16, 2023	Laura Hollaren
July 17, 2023 through July 23, 2023	Morris Fick
July 24, 2023 through July 30, 2023	Al Aanenson
July 31, 2023 through August 6, 2023	Jeanne Bowron

June Budget

General Budget Totals		
June 4, 2023 thru June 25, 2023		
Envelopes	\$	6,885.00
Loose Offering	\$	423.25
Apportionments	\$	100.00
Radio Broadcast	\$	0.--
Online Giving (May)	\$	3,650.00
Total	\$	11,058.25
Non Budget Donations		
Silver Bucket	\$	44.00
Upper Room	\$	0.--
Total	\$	44.00
Rent	\$.00
Totals	\$	11,058.25
	\$	44.00
	\$	
Grand Total	\$	11,102.25



Happy 4th of July everyone! May we remember this day not just as a day off and great food and friends, but for those who toiled and sacrificed to make America independent and those who made and ke it the land of the free and home of the brave!