# Pastor's Letter for July Newsletter

## **Greetings Friends!**

I can't believe it is already July!

We had a great group of kids for Vacation Bible School last month. Huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped with VBS! The kids had a great time!

Many of our church members are traveling this summer. It is so good to spend time away, see family and friends, and enjoy the sunshine. If you find yourself traveling on Sunday morning, remember you can always watch the worship service on the church's Facebook page. It is posted at 1:00pm every Sunday.

If you do miss worship, you can still give your offering either by mailing it to the church or setting up automatic withdrawal. We miss you when you are away but hope you can still participate in the life of the church even while on vacation!

Thanks to everyone who helps with our worship service. I am so very thankful for Ann Driver, Paul and Ann Riggs, Bob Tracy, Wayne Trom, Steve Willert, Steve Springsted, Howard Gransee and Brian Rohrs. Thank you to Ann Riggs for setting up the communion table. Thank you to Ally Holtz, Amy Borgstrom, Paul Pogalz, and Lisa Carlsen for serving communion. Thank you to everyone who set up coffee and brought food for fellowship.

My verse for us this month comes from Psalm 84:11 "For the Lord God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor. No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk uprightly." May the sunshine be a reminder of all that God has done and will do for us.

I am so grateful to be your pastor.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Amanda









	July 2	Dylan Dutton		
	July 6	Josie Gruhn		
	July 7	Devyn Borgstrom		
	July 8	Aaron Wilke		
	July 9	Steve Johnson		
	July 10	Conner Pogalz		
	July 12	Michelle Willert		
	July 14	Libby Prenzlow		
	July 21	Justin Lynde		
		Laurel Prenzlow		
	July 22	Caitlyn Brevig		
		Stella Gransee		
	July 24	Rosalie Trom		



July 12	Arlin & Marsha Brigham			
	Bill & Roma Stromme			
July 17	Aaron & Nicky Wilke			
July 25	Paul & Ann Riggs			

## **Prayer Chain**

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the military.

Pray for our service men in the military.

- \*Todd Livingston with the U.S. Air Force
- \*Peyton Wilke with the US Marines.

Please pray for continued healing and strength.

- \*Carol Prenzlow continuing rehabilitation.
- \*Donna Dutton for health and continued well being.
- \*Grady Lundgren as he continues treatment. Also, his family for continued strength
- \*Brevig Family for continued strength
- \*Joyce Olson for healing
- \*Jeanne Dunbar for healing

# A Prayer For Inner Strength

Dear God,

Please give me the strength to face the day and to see the many blessings that it contains.

Give me the courage to walk on, no matter how long the path or how many turns the road holds.

Guide my thoughts so that I walk in love and peace and with gratitude stamped on my heart.

# Session Meeting



June Session Meeting on June 19th at 5:30 PM

#### **Church Information**

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Secretary office hours

Wednesday & Friday 9am—noon

Sunday School 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am



## Greetings all PW,

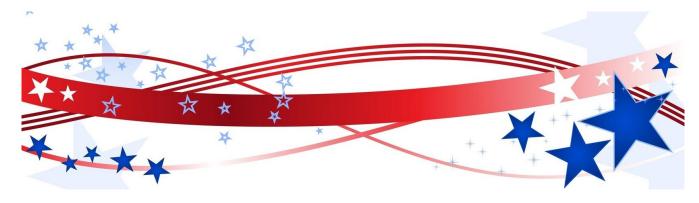
Looking back on the newsletter one year ago, it seems we were experiencing temperatures higher than normal then just as we have been having here lately. Perhaps a new trend is developing, but hopefully we will continue to have some occasional rainfall to keep lawns and crops growing.

There is no PW activity planned for this month unless something really fun and exciting comes up, so keep alert for any announcements or emails. Since our church delivered Meals on Wheels late this month, we will not have that duty until sometime in August. Many thanks to all the volunteers who delivered meals this week and also a BIG THANK YOU to

Sharon for organizing this worthy project. Many thanks also to everyone who served for coffee fellowship after Sunday worship in June, we all really enjoy the fellowship and great treats!!

Prayers continue to be needed for Grady Lundgren as he continues his road to better health; it seems he is certainly enjoying being home and participating in his favorite activities. Our prayers of support are needed for all who have lost a loved one, whether it was family or friend. Please continue your prayers of support for the Brevig family; for Carol Prenzlow as she continues to heal; for Joyce Olson as she continues her road to better health; for Ruth Allen as she strives to recover her strength and mobility. Pray also for everyone in military service, in law enforcement, public office, all health care workers, Christian leaders, all in public offices, and also for everyone in the crisis in Ukraine. Special prayers are needed for all people and families affected by the mass shootings which have taken place in our country, may God hold them all in His loving arms.

July 4<sup>th</sup> is a very important holiday in the United States, and has been a federal holiday since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century and the American Revolution. On July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4<sup>th</sup> has been celebrated as the birth of American independence.



#### AMERICAN FLAG

Red and white with thirteen stripes,

Reminds us of our past; Some thought they'd never last. The colonies so long ago,

And then the stars, although they've changed, For the states, both old and new,

On a field of blue they're fifty strong, A home for me, and you.

So wave your flag, and show your pride and never let it fall;

And remember why we pledge each day With liberty and justice for all.

May God bless each and every one of you, and grant that you all may have a happy, joyous 4th of July and on into the rest of the summer. Stay healthy and happy.

Many blessings from Paulette and Sue, PW co-moderators

## Father

Today we think of our nation's independence. The ability that we have to worship you freely, openly, and without the threat of persecution. We ultimately thank You for bestowing that freedom on us as a nation. May we use that freedom to help lead others to the true freedom that comes from knowing Your Son, Jesus, our LORD. May we forever praise and honor Your name. Amen.



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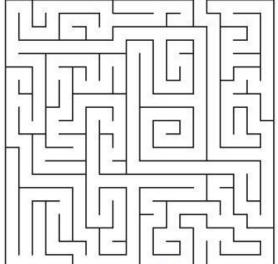
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## 4th of July Maze

Uncle Sam has bought a new hat for the parade.

Can you help him find his way through the maze to collect it?

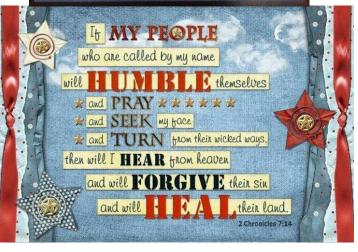




July Kid's Page







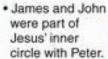
**BibleWise** 

### Pid You Know this about the disciples James and John?

- James and John were the sons of Zebedee
- Fishermen on the Sea of Galilee



- John was possibly the youngest disciple
- He and his brother were known as sons of thunder





- John and his brother, James, asked to sit on Jesus' right and left hand in the kingdom of heaven
- this was not well received by the rest of the disciples
- James and John were Jesus' cousins. Their mother Salome was Mary's sister.



 John and Peter were sent to prepare the Passover





John 8:36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.





church. It was a wonderful treat.

Thank You!

# Bits of News & Updates for Us

2022 COMMITTEE MEMBERS, ELDERS, DEACONS, AND INTERESTED MEMBERS

Clerk of Session Lisa Carlsen

**Christian Education Committee** 

Ally Holtz, Chairperson

Amy Borgstrom, Nicky Wilke, Diane Krejci and Al Riedel, Jennifer Mittelstadt

**Membership Committee** 

Bill Kase, Chairperson

Paul Riggs-Deacon, Ann Driver, Thelma Givan

**Mission Committee** 

Lisa Carlsen, Elder, Chairperson

Michelle Willert-Deacon, Nicky Wilke

**Nominating Committee** 

Steve Willert, Elder, Chairperson

Bill Kase -Elder, Sue Alberts-Deacon, Catherine Gruhn, Peggy Engle, and Steve Springsted

**Personnel Committee** 

Paul Pogalz, Elder, Chairperson

Steve Willert -Elder, Amy Borgstrom, Kristy Johnson

**Property Committee** 

Robert Gransee, Elder, Chairperson

Wayne Trom-Deacon, Jane Heser, Michelle Willert-Deacon, Troy Andrist

**Stewardship Committee** 

Ally Holtz, Elder, Chairperson

Bill Kase- Elder, Paul Riggs-Deacon

**Worship Committee** 

Ally Holtz, Chairperson

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These people are to receive notification of their committee meetings. The Pastor is a member of committees. Any church member is welcome to attend a committee meeting.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer's Report: Receipts May 2022 Expenses May 2022 Balance May 2022

7,348.00 8,549.17

Balance May 2022 \$ (1,207.17) Needed weekly \$ 2,381.04 Needed monthly \$ 10,317.85

The receipts do NOT include the non-cash items.

Because the newsletter comes out before the end of the month, the May treasurer's report won't be finished, so it will always be a month behind.





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
26	27	28	29	30	1	2		
3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	Pastor Aman	9 la - Vacation		
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17	18	Session Mtg at church @ 5:30	20	21	22	23		
24	25	26	Deadline for Newsletter	28	29	30		
31	1	2 N	eals on Whee	4 s	5	6		

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