



A Bucket Of Trust God will meet your needs

Mealtime was the highlight of Gracie's day. The dog loved to eat. When I went out to feed her each morning, she became so excited her tail wagged her whole body. But her look of delirious joy wasn't about the level of dry food stored in our five-gallon plastic bucket. Gracie had no idea that sometimes it was filled to the brim, while other times it was nearly empty. I never caught her, in a secret moment, cleverly using her paws to lift the lid and peek inside. Nor would she have dreamed of writing "dog food" on our shopping list... even if she could.

Gracie didn't look to the bucket or the store for her needs... she looked to me. She wasn't anxious

about her provision because she knew I loved her and would take care of her. She trusted me with all her heart.

It's dawned on me that I too, have someone who loves and cares for me. He has even promised, in writing, to supply all my need. I've lost countless anxious hours starting down at the bucket... hours God meant for peace if I'd only gazed up at the bucket-Filler instead.



My Gracie

Taken from "four Paws from heaven" Rachel Hale

Sermon Series "The God Questions"

Beginning Sunday, September 15, Pastor Vickie will begin a new sermon series entitled "The God Questions".

This special sermon series will provide an opportunity to examine questions such as, "Is God Real?", "Is the Bible True?", "Do All Roads Lead to Heaven?" and "What Do Other Religions Believe?"

In addition to the sermon series, Pastor Vickie will be having a "Talk Back" session during the Sunday School hour where you will have an opportunity to ask follow-up questions from her sermon.

This is a great opportunity for you to invite some of your friends or family that don't go to church to join us for worship.

Series Schedule

Sunday, Sept. 15 "Is God Real?"
Sunday, Sept. 22 "Is the Bible True?"
Sunday, Sept. 29 "Do All Roads Lead to Heaven?"

So invite your friends and plan on joining us yourself for "The God Questions".

Sunday

Worship 9am
Kidz Praise 9am
After Children's Message

Sunday School

10:15
Every other Sunday
Club 456 plus! 3pm

Wednesday

Friends of Christ 5:30
Senior High Youth Group
7-8:30

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Members of Northwest
United Methodist Church

Pastor:

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Applying Bible Principles

Describing the Macedonian Christians, Paul wrote, "Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability" (2 Cor. 8:2-3).

What does it mean to give beyond our ability? In some ways, it means to discard our treasured calculators and push our giving to the point where the numbers don't add up. It means to give when the proverbial bottom line indicates we shouldn't give. It might also mean to give away not just the luxuries, but also some of life's necessities.

Let's face it—most Christians (including most of us) do not give beyond our ability. Most of us do not give out of proportion to our income. In effect, we claim 1 Corinthians 16:2 as our life's verse concerning giving, where we are admonished to give as God has pros-

pered us or in direct proportion to our income. Make no mistake about it—that's a good pattern for giving, a pattern that every child of God should be following. But sometimes, God calls us to give out of proportion to our income. He calls us to give sacrificially in order that His kingdom might advance and prosper.

Such giving is unguarded, spontaneous, and uncalculated. This type of giving refuses to count the cost of giving, but instead, counts only the joy of fully obeying how God has directed in our lives. Such giving is frequently lavish and represents an act of love and discipleship. Such giving is exemplified by the widow who gave all that she had (Mark 12) and by the Macedonian Christians.

David Livingston, pioneer missionary to Africa almost two centuries ago, was described as having "sacrificed" his life in service for

Christ on that continent. His response is highly relevant to our living and our giving:

Can that be called a sacrifice which is simply paid back as a small part of the great debt owing to our God which we can never repay? Is that a sacrifice which brings its own reward of healthful activity, the consciousness of doing good, peace of mind, and a bright hope of a glorious destiny hereafter? It is emphatically no sacrifice. Say rather it is a privilege . . . when we remember the great sacrifice which He made who left His Father's throne on high to give Himself for us.

As you consider your giving, are you giving less than your ability, according to your ability, or beyond your ability?

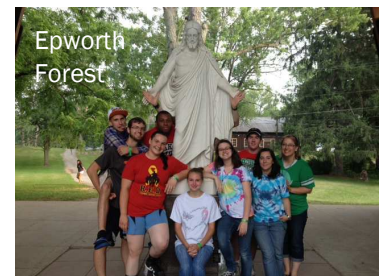
YOUTH

It's been a very busy summer for our Youth Group and Leaders! We kicked off the summer with a trip to "Spirit Song" at Kings Island in Cincinnati, Ohio. We listened to great Christian music and of course, rode a few roller coasters. Did you know Pastor Vickie rides roller coasters?

As soon as we got back, we headed

off to "That Thing", the senior high version of Summer Camp. We learned about what it really means to love our neighbors. We also talked about being stretched so we can depend on God. When we came home from camp, we talked about what we need to do to be stretched by God.

We began working to help Al fix



up his house. It was a great way to learn about neighbors and being stretched.



Prayer Network: Power of a Praying Church

Throughout the month of September the following families or persons will be lifted up in prayer by our Prayer Ministry Team. Please add these families to your own prayer list.

- Barb Burks
- Judy Kring
- Tonya & Anthony Nickerson
- Rod & Jane White-Stevens

If you have a prayer concern you can call or e-mail your concern to Rosie Yaw.

Rosemerry Yaw
269-683-6388
e-mail: rosiebr2@juno.com

The prayer chain is a very important part of who we are here at Northwest UMC. We invite anyone that would like to be a part of this important ministry to contact Rosemerry Yaw .



Attendance August

August 4	122
August 11	116
August 18	134
August 25	148

September

Scripture

September 1

Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14

September 15

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28
Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10

September 29

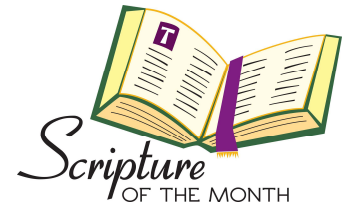
Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31

September 8

Jeremiah 18:1-11
Ps 139:1-6, 13-18
Philippians 1-21
Luke 14:25-33

September 22

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Ps 79:1-9 or Ps 4
1 Tim 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13



Prepare yourself for Worship,
Study each Sunday's Scripture

September Volunteers

Sunday Morning Praying

September 1 Rosemerry Yaw
September 8 Georgia Boyer
September 15 Marcia Dills
September 22 Jen Parks
September 29 Nancy Gring

Chapel time Fridays at 9:30

September 6 Georgia Boyer
September 13 Rosemerry Yaw
September 20 Sharon Robertson
September 27 Martha Brown



Children's Learning Center
needs Chapel Readers
Fridays at 9:30
Call Rosie Yaw 269-683-6388



Trivia Night at Z.B. Falcons
 323 S. Sheridan St., South Bend
 October 5th Doors open at 5:30

\$10.00 per person or \$100.00 to reserve a table of ten.

All Proceeds benefit Camp Millhouse

Purchase drinks on site but bring your own food for your table

To register go the Camp Millhouse's web site: www.campmillhouse.org/calendar

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SEPTEMBER 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9 am Worship	2 Labor Day B. Pete Ashley	3 6 pm NCLC Board B. Jeannette Russell	4 7 pm Youth Group B. Leigh Ann Stewart	5 6 pm NCLC Staff Meeting	6 6:30 pm Friends of Christ Dance A. Bob & Nancy Gring	7 A. Gary & Linda Shenefield B. Harley Sellers
8 9 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School 1 pm Ashley Pavilion Use 3 pm Club 456+ A. Harley & Marilyn Sellers A. Jim & Ginger Moritz	9 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	10 6 pm Finance 7 pm Ad Council B. Georgia Boyer	11 5:30 pm Friends of Christ 7:00 pm Youth Group	12 B. Rob Hatfield	13 B. Julie Stalker	14
15 9 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School A. Bob & Rosie Yaw B. Eric Frick	16 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	17 7 pm UMW 7 pm Cub Scout Committee B. Julie Pressler	18 5:30 pm Friends of Christ 7:00 pm Youth Group A. Lynette Wideman	19 7 pm Bible Study week 1 B. Jackie O'Brien	20 B. Tim Ryan B. Lucy Packard	21 A. Mark & Becky Zakowski
22 9 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School 3 pm Club 456+ A. Steve & Helen Yaw	23 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	24 7 pm Trustees B. Dora Kruger	25 5:30 pm Friends of Christ 7:00 pm Youth Group B. Marilyn Sellers B. Kirt Scherer	26 7 pm Bible Study week 2 B. Heather Mangus	27 B. Lori Renner B. Stephanie Pressler	28 A. Jamey & Sharon Coffman B. Bailee Kessler
29 9 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School	30 6 pm Cub Scouts					

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Sunday Worship 9:00

Kidz Praise 9:00 (after the
children's message)

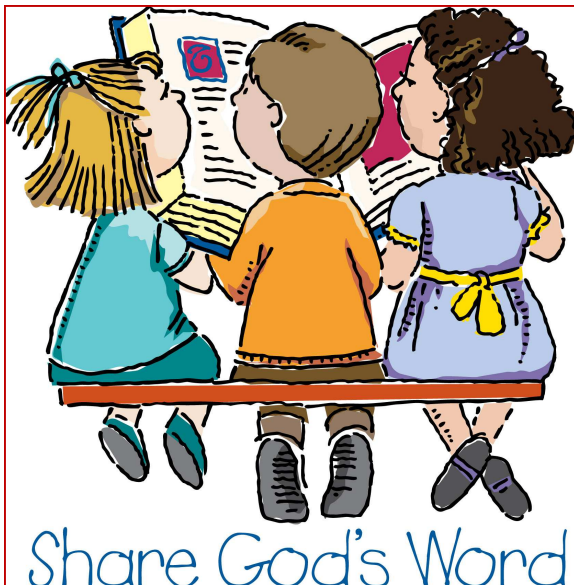
Sunday School 10:15

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Children's Learning Center Chapel Readers Needed



Do you have **30-45 minutes** on a **Friday morning**? We are in need of **story readers** for our Learning Center Chapel Time. We have lost some readers and need to replace them. It really is fun and it doesn't take a lot of time. With enough volunteers you would only have to read **once every three months**, with an occasional substitute. Many books are available in the Learning Center office to use. You can read Bible stories, or stories about sharing, loving, kindness, friends and a lot of other topics. The children have a very short attention span, so **short stories** are best with a lot of **pictures to show**. Please consider volunteering to read to our children. It may be the only time they hear about Jesus or feel the love of another adult. Please Contact Rosie Yaw if you would be willing to give it a try!

God Bless
Rosie



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**