

**DAN & ESTHER PENNEY**  
**WorldVenture**

As you know if you've been following us for the last few years, July is Dan's busiest time of the year. First, he is finishing up the review and approval of almost 100 budgets for all his Global Workers. At the same time, he begins a 3-month-long audit season. And finally, two weeks in the middle of July are what is called Summer Summit. Summer Summit is multiple major events all at once. The biggest is "Home Assignment Debrief," a week-long conference for all WorldVenture Global Workers who are in the US for home assignment. It includes debriefing their previous term, training, and getting reacquainted with mission personnel. An age-appropriate parallel program is offered for their children. At the same time, there is "Launch," an 8-day program of final training for those appointees who are almost ready to deploy to their field of service for the first time. And finally, there is "Emeritus," a 4-day program for those workers who are within a few years of retirement, to assist them in preparing for that transition. If this sounds overwhelming, it is!

It's an exhausting time, but also an exhilarating time. Dan loves the one-on-one appointments in which he can answer all a worker's questions and help them with any financial challenges they are facing. Another highlight is that each Global Worker gives a 15-minute ministry report. Hearing what God is doing around the world through these faithful servants is always exciting, but they also share the challenges they have faced or are facing, many of which are heartrending. So it is encouraging to everyone when we get to pray for them individually after each report.

**Attendance Report for Sunday 8/24/2025**

Sunday School: 102      Morning Worship: 196      Evening: 87

**Financial Report for the Week Ending 8/29/2025**

Weekly Budget	\$11,571.42	Year-to-Date Budget	\$242,999.82
Income for the Week	\$7,597.83	Year-to-Date Income	\$219,122.64
Giving by Cash/Check	\$6,078.88	Year-to-Date Expenses	\$243,265.17
Electronic Giving	\$1,518.95		

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**Ministry Staff**

Senior Pastor . . . . . Jay Jentink  
 Associate Pastor (Worship and Administration) . . . . . Michael Frey  
 Associate Pastor (Youth Ministries). . . . . Matthew Slippy  
 Secretary/Bookkeeper. . . . . Marla Hoy

*Office Hours: Monday–Thursday, 9:00am–3:00pm, 9:00am – 12:00pm on Friday*

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**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**AUGUST 31, 2025**

Preparation for Worship      Marlene LeMont

Welcome      Pastor Michael Frey

Songs of Celebration (Hymn 9) "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"  
 (Hymn 16) "How Great Thou Art"  
 "Across the Lands"  
 "We Will Remember"

Prayer      Pastor Michael Frey

Scripture Reading (Matthew 25:14–30)      Gabriel Caldwell

Song of Preparation      "Speak to Me"  
*(No Children's Church Today)*

Message from God's Word      Pastor Jay Jentink  
 "Laboring for the Lord"

Song of Consecration      "My Labor Is Not in Vain"

Benediction      Pastor Michael Frey

## TONIGHT AT 6:00PM

GriefShare

Room 14

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### FALL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We still have need for help in the nurseries this fall during worship services. We also need a teacher to partner with Diana Bredenberg in the Junior Department (grades 4–6). Please bless our church families by serving. You can sign up at the Welcome Center. Contact Briana Horning or the church office for more information.

### AWANA BEGINS THIS WEEK!

AWANA starts at 6:00pm **THIS WEDNESDAY**, September 3, with a hot dog supper in the parking lot. Kids ages 3 years through 6th grade are welcome. Kids need to turn 3 by September 15 to join the club. Dues are still 25 cents. Parents can pre-register their kids through the link on our church website ([www.CalvaryCR.org](http://www.CalvaryCR.org)) or by going directly to the registration form at <https://calvarycr.breezechms.com/form/d5bdc477>. Contact Jeremy or Jen Crittenden for more information.

### KOINONIA TO MONTICELLO FOR RIVER OUTING

Young adults are invited to join the Koinonia group on Saturday, September 6 for an outing on the Maquoketa river. You can meet at Calvary at 8:50am to carpool or meet at the vehicle pickup lot in Monticello at 10am. It's about a 6 hour float, so we should be out of the water around 4pm. Contact Ty Slippy by Tuesday, September 2 to get details and to sign up.

### LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies, you and your friends are invited to enjoy dinner and fellowship at 6:30pm on Monday, September 8 at Cancun Mexican Grill, 365 33rd Ave SW. If you plan to attend, call or text Deb Gaeta (319-491-7720) or email [djgaeta@q.com](mailto:djgaeta@q.com) so she will know how many will be attending. If you need a ride, let Deb know and she will arrange to have someone to meet that need.

### POSITIVE IMPRESSIONS

Positive Impressions is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 10:00am–3:00pm in Room 23/24. Invite your friends to join you in creating with rubber stamps or working on some other favorite craft project. This is an enjoyable and non-threatening way to spend time developing relationships and building bridges in order to make a positive impression for Christ on your unsaved friends and family members. Even the greeting cards or other crafts that you create for other people can be beneficial in making a positive impression on their lives. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Jeannette Frey (319-654-4260) and bring a snack or drink to share with the group.

### MELANSON BABY SHOWER

Men and women, please join us at Calvary on Saturday, September 20 at 10am for a baby shower honoring parents-to-be Joshua & Allie Melanson. You can find their gift registry on Amazon.

### GIFT CARD BRIDAL SHOWER

Sydney Crittenden, is getting married this fall! Please join us in blessing Sydney and Benjamin Coffman with a collection of gift cards as they begin their life together. Please place your card in the decorative box at the Welcome Center. We know Sydney will be delighted to receive these gifts!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES (ABCs)

Our regular Sunday school and Adult Bible Classes will resume on Sunday, September 7 at 9:00am. ABCs will study the book of Ephesians. Recognizing the value of not only Bible study but also of growing in community with other followers of Christ, we want to encourage everyone to join a class.

### YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY SCHOOL

Chad Smale and Brian Taylor will be leading junior high and senior high students in a study of the character of God on Sunday mornings at 9:00am, beginning September 7. We will meet in the youth building.

### KOINONIA SUNDAY SCHOOL

Post-high school young adults are invited to participate in a study of Biblical Chronology beginning September 7 at 9:00am in the youth building. This study will cover 1 Samuel and 2 Samuel. Contact Pastor Matt or Chris Brown for information.

### SONSHINE SINGERS

The Sonshine Singers children's choir will begin on Sunday evening, September 14, 6:00pm–7:15pm. Children in K–6th grade are invited to join in the fun of learning about God and His Word through music, choreography, drama, and other creative activities. If you are interested, contact Jeannette Frey at 319-654-4260 or [jjhux59@gmail.com](mailto:jjhux59@gmail.com).

### CALVARY CHOIR

The Calvary Choir will begin another season of ministry on Sunday, September 14. Rehearsals are Sunday afternoons from 4:30pm to 5:45pm. New members are welcome! Contact Pastor Mike for more information.

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## CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 31

10:30am Worship Service

6:00pm GriefShare

Monday, September 1 — Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 2

6:30pm Deaconess Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 3

6:00pm Awana Hot Dog Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Kick-Off

6:30pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer

Saturday, September 6

8:50am Koinonia to Monticello for River Trip