

# The Cornerstone

The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

*Psalm 118:22-23*

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## Well Played Life: Lessons of Faith in Childhood Games



Rev. Jill Hubbard-Smith

## *Sorry: Finding Forgiveness*

*Micah 7:18-19 & Matthew 18:21-35*



I'm sorry! We say it so often in our day-to-day interactions, but do we really mean it? What would it look like if every time we said it, we really meant it and lived it out? I've heard it said that "Apologizing indicates an intention to change one's behavior." We don't really see this in the game, otherwise you would never win...



**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 17, 2025**

**Counters:** Rand Danielson, Jane Gittines

**Greeter:** Jack Coleman

**Usher:** Paul Bradley

**Acolyte:** Faye Snorton

**Lay Reader:** Ron Puryear

**Altar Flowers:**

Given in honor of Robin Latham's birthday by  
Bonnie McNamara.

Given in loving memory of Lou Sama by Peg  
Kuchen.



**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 24, 2025**

**Counters:** Mary Bailey, Cheryl McLoughlin, John  
Montgomery

**Greeter:** Alice Coleman

**Usher:** Ron Danielson

**Acolyte:** Kitty Amato

**Lay Reader:** Randy Danielson

**Altar Flowers:**

Given in loving memory of Betty Lou Beckmann  
by Peggy Ann.

Given in loving memory of the wedding  
anniversary of Dr. & Mrs. M. Alexander  
Glassmire by Barbara & Larry MacPherson.



**ALL ARE INVITED!**

When: **August 15<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 6:30 p.m.

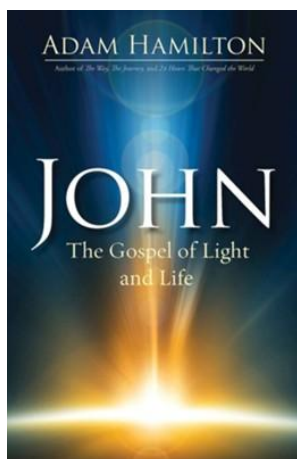
Where: Fellowship Hall

If you are attending and your last name begins with  
A-O please bring a snack to share. P-Z? Please  
bring a drink to share.

**THIS FRIDAY**



Wesley Nursery School is collecting 10.3 or 11 oz.  
empty coffee cans with lids to make musical  
instruments. Please drop them off at the church  
office.



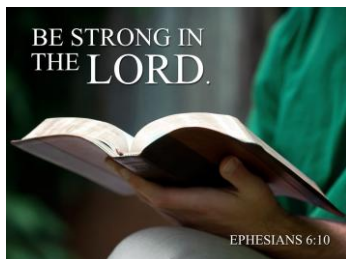
## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Embark on a journey through the Book of John's narrative and discover anew "the Gospel of light"!

Exploring its rich images, Hamilton offers illuminating insights into the profound themes of the Word made flesh; Jesus' miraculous signs; his "I AM" sayings; his farewell discourse; the arrest, trial, and crucifixion; and the promise of eternal life.

**The class is open to all and meets on Sunday mornings at 11 starting September 7<sup>th</sup>.**

(If you would like, you may purchase the book on your own to read along with the lessons. It is not mandatory, however, and all other materials will be provided.)



## WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

### Aug 17-Aug 23

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalms 80:1-2, 8-19

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Luke 12:49-56



## Mercy Center Collection

## NEW LIST

Mercy Center is in need of the following items: cooking oil, Ramen noodles, canned pasta, rice (1 lb. bags), crackers, SPAM, salad dressing, mayonnaise, pancake mix, ketchup, sugar, corn, Hamburger Helper, canned fruit, pasta sauce, tomato sauce, cereal, seasonings, jelly, syrup, toothbrushes (single packs), toothpaste, deodorant, diapers, pull-ups (size 5 and up), bar soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, laundry detergent, & dish detergent.

## KIT NIGHT



All are invited on **August 19<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. to attend the UWIF kit night when the school kits will be assembled. After the task is done, helpers will be rewarded with an ice cream treat! Info: Call Diane Maher 732-513-8412



Spiritual Seekers is taking a pause for August. Stay tuned for what's in store for September!



**Our homebound:** David Miller, Bev Itell, Virginia Haydu, Bob Sproat, Bertha Ahrens, Cary Carlisle, Priscilla Smith, Elaine Gould

**Sunnyside Manor, Wall:** Nancy Burt

**Our church family worshipping at a distance:** Barbara Novick, Jean Gillette, Laura Eble, Jack & Caroline Chesbro



## **Something to think about:**

If only we fought just as hard to understand as we do to disagree.



## The Little Free Pantry

Please think of stocking shelf-stable milk, powdered milk, soup, stew, chili, whole grain cereal, toiletries, hygiene products, baby food, applesauce, canned beans, canned chicken, canned tuna, canned salmon, SPAM, canned ham, canned vegetables, olive oil, canola oil, crackers, dried herbs, spices, canned fruit, dried fruit, granola bars, instant mashed potatoes, meals in a box, nuts, pasta, peanut butter, & rice.

A good idea this week:  
Rice-a roni

**OUR AUGUST COMMUNION OFFERING  
BENEFITS  
UMCOR DISASTER RELIEF**



## Spaghetti Dinner

Every third Sunday of the month

5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Eat in or take out

Free to all

August's dinner will be **August 17<sup>th</sup>**.

**THIS SUNDAY!!!!**

**Tsedalech Tesfaye, our World Vision Child from Ethiopia, is sponsored for the month of August by Mel & Jeff Ragle in loving memory of Emma Jean Ragle.**



AUGUST is a Fifth Sunday month. Your offering to this fund helps with the cost of maintaining our bulidngs and grounds. Please use the yellow envelopes in the sanctuary for your offering.



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*Java with Jill*

**Join Jill at the Blue Swan Diner  
for coffee and conversation  
(or the drink of your preference).**

**This informal time of fellowship will be every 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.**

**Mark your calendar: **August 26<sup>th</sup>****



**PRAYER  
GARDEN**

**WORSHIP & COMMUNION  
September 7<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m.**

Pastor Jill will lead worship & serve Holy Communion in the Prayer Garden on this Sunday. Begin your week worshipping in the beauty of God's creation.