

BRENDA COLE — AWANA

It has been encouraging to meet with churches to hear about the many kids they have ministered to. Many plan to restart this fall and are working through planning their club year. I see God's hand of blessing with changed lives against all odds as churches reach more and more children with the gospel.

Ministry & Equipping Highlights:

- Twelve leaders learned new ways to help kids become resilient disciples of Jesus at the Resilient Child Discipleship Training. We spent a whole day together learning how to help kids belong to the kingdom of God, believe the truth of the Gospel, and to become lifelong followers of Jesus.
- I held Awana Connect training in Iowa in June—84 leaders from 16 different churches attended. We had good conversation about teaching kids theology and how to include families in our club nights.
- Two churches will be starting Awana this fall. The Awana Ministry Director from one of these churches attended one of my Connects in June. She was so excited to start Awana at her church.

This year, Awana celebrates 75 years of ministry to children. Awana began in Chicago with Art Rorheim, reaching boys and girls in his neighborhood. In the 1980s, Awana grew outside of the US. Today, Awana reaches 9.3 million kids worldwide every week. What a blessing to be part of God's work to reach kids with the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Attendance Report for Sunday 9/7/2025

Sunday School: 107 Morning Worship: 194

Financial Report for the Week Ending 9/12/2025

Weekly Budget	\$11,571.42	Year-to-Date Budget	\$266,142.66
Income for the Week	\$11,990.07	Year-to-Date Income	\$243,127.15
Giving by Cash/Check	\$10,545.78	Year-to-Date Expenses	\$264,304.37
Electronic Giving	\$1,444.29		

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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 SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Preparation for Worship Marlene LeMont

Welcome Pastor Michael Frey

Songs of Celebration (Hymn 245) "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"
"Christ Exalted Is Our Song"
"You Are the Christ"

Prayer David Chung

Scripture Reading (Matthew 16:13–20) Steve LeMont

Song of Preparation "Speak, O Lord"
(Children Ages 3–Kindergarten Dismissed for Children's Church)

Message from God's Word Pastor Jay Jentink
"The Rock, Builder, Owner, Victory,
and Authority of the Church"

Song of Consecration "Lord, Build Your Church"

Benediction Pastor Michael Frey

TONIGHT AT 6:00PM

There are a variety of ministries occurring on Sunday evenings, with options for all ages. Choose an appropriate program and get involved!

Sonshine Singers (Children's Choir for Grades K-6)	Room 26
Ministry Training Electives	
♦ Living by the Book	Youth Building
♦ A Lifelong Love	Room 23/24
♦ Twelve Extraordinary Women (teen girls)	Youth Building
GriefShare	Room 14

SONSHINE SINGERS

The Sonshine Singers children's choir will begin **tonight**, 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.

CALVARY CHOIR

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

MUMS (MOTHERS UPLIFTING MOTHERS)

MUMs is back this Tuesday, September 16! Moms whose youngest child is in kindergarten or younger are welcome to attend this Christ-centered friendship group. Childcare is provided! Beginning in September, until May, meetings are held from 9:15am to 11:15am on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. A typical meeting includes potluck style brunch, an activity or game, a speaker, and time to build and strengthen relationships. Our first meeting is a very casual introduction of our group, so please join us in the Calvary fellowship hall and get to know other moms in our community. Email crmums2019@gmail.com with any questions.

September Events: Bonfire on 9/23, Niabi Zoo on 9/25

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.

SALT & PEPPER RETIREES FELLOWSHIP

We will meet in the fellowship hall for lunch at 11:30 on Tuesday, September 23, and will enjoy some harp music performed by Abigail Brower. Contact Nadene Roberts or Donna Voss for additional information.

CHURCH YARD CLEANUP DAY

Many hands make light work, so please mark your calendars to join us on Saturday, October 4, anytime between 8:00am and 3:00pm to work on preparing the church grounds for the change of seasons. We will be mulching, trimming, and as many projects as we can accomplish. Contact Eric Wienola for information.

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. Place your card in the decorative box at the Welcome Center. We know Sydney will be delighted to receive these gifts!

ILLNESS POLICY

As all of our fall programs start up, please remember to stay home if you are feeling ill or have been sick within the past 24 hours. We would hate to pass any illnesses on unnecessarily.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 14

9:00am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes
10:00am	Inner Mission
10:30am	Worship Service
4:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
6:00pm	Ministry Training Electives
6:00pm	Sonshine Singers
6:00pm	GriefShare

Tuesday, September 16

9:15am	MUMs (Mothers Uplifting Mothers)
6:00pm	Board of Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, September 17

6:30pm	Awana, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study & Prayer
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Saturday, September 20

10:00am	Josh & Allie Melanson Baby Shower
3:00pm	"Our State Fair" at the LeMonts