

Pastors' Corner

"After the Storm"

Over the past few weeks, many across Nebraska have watched the skies a little more carefully. Tornado sirens sounded in nearby communities, strong winds swept across the state, and families in some towns experienced real loss and damage. Here in Gibbon and the surrounding area, we were reminded once again how quickly life can change, us how quickly an ordinary spring evening can become a time of prayer, warning, and neighborly care. And yet, by God's grace, our community was spared major damage.

That reality leaves us holding two feelings at once; gratitude and compassion. We are grateful for safety, for homes still standing, for children tucked safely into bed at night, and for neighbors checking on neighbors when the weather turns uncertain. At the same time, we remember those across Nebraska who are now rebuilding, cleaning up, and trying to move forward after the storms.

Fred Rogers of *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood* once said, *"When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'"*

I think that is one of the beautiful things about Nebraska communities. When storms come, people show up. Farmers pull tractors into muddy roads. Volunteers hand out water bottles. Churches open their doors. Friends send messages. Strangers pray for one another. Storms have a way of reminding us that we were never meant to go through life alone.

As Christians, we believe that God often works through ordinary acts of kindness and steady presence. Sometimes faith looks less like dramatic words and more like casseroles delivered quietly, phone calls made late at night, or someone simply saying, "Are you okay?"

While we cannot fully predict what the season ahead will bring, the recent storms have reminded us how quickly life can change. Sirens may sound again, and skies may darken again, but fear does not have the final word.

Psalm 46 reminds us: *"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."* Not just after the storm., not just when life feels calm, but in the middle of uncertainty too.

As we move into June, my prayer is that we continue to be a community marked by gratitude, preparedness, compassion, and faith. May we never take safety for granted, and may we always remain ready to care for those around us.

Stay safe, stay connected, and keep looking for the helpers.

Pastor Doreen



THANK YOU

*Because of your generosity, hope is reaching beyond our walls
and helping support education, opportunity, and ministry for
students in Africa, Europe, and the Philippines.*



*Thank you for helping us be a church that shares hope, changes
lives, and reflects the love of Christ in the world.*

**EACH OF YOU SHOULD GIVE WHAT YOU HAVE DECIDED
IN YOUR HEART TO GIVE... FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL
GIVER." - 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7**



JUNE 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 WIC-9AM-5PM	2	3 7:00 PM Trustees	4	5	6 6:00 PM Worship
7 9:15 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship	8	9	10 9:00 AM Sew 'N' Sews	11 7:00PM Bible 101	12	13 6:00 PM Worship 6:45 PM Potluck
14 9:15AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship CULTURAL SUNDAY	15	16	17 7:00 PM Ad Council	18	19	20 6:00 PM Worship
21 HAPPY FATHERS DAY! 9:15 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship Fathers Day lunch	22 Bloodmobile 12-6 PM	23	24 9:00 AM Sew 'N' Sews	25 7:00 PM Bible 101	26	27 6:00 PM Worship
28 9:15 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship in Park-Community Lunch following at Faith United	29	30				

DATE	USHERS	SCRIPTURE READER	CHILDREN'S TIME	AUDIO/ CAMERA
6-7	Todd Meyer	Kathy Pierce	Linda Keiper	Amy
	Kim Wadkins			
6-14	Jason Tracy	Linda Keiper	Kathy Pierce	Amy
	Tara Tracy			
6-21	Nora Fries	Nora Fries	Pastor Doreen	Amy
	Cove Fries	Cove Fries		
6-28	Service in the Park	Denise Catlin	None	none

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



<i>6-2 Bonnie Meza</i>	<i>6-10 Chelsea Oliver</i>	<i>6-21 Eryn Swanson</i>
<i>6-3 Vickie Power</i>	<i>6-11 Cindy Peabody</i>	<i>6-21 Harper Yockey</i>
<i>6-5 Scott Jader</i>	<i>6-13 Samantha Mercer</i>	<i>6-24 Hadleigh Davis</i>
<i>6-5 Cody McGregor</i>	<i>6-13 Brooke Sell</i>	<i>6-25 Helen Shuler</i>
<i>6-5 Nolan Catlin</i>	<i>6-13 Sophia Krupp</i>	<i>6-26 Nolan Parr</i>
<i>6-6 Lowell Jaeger</i>	<i>6-16 Hunter Smallcomb</i>	<i>6-27 Molly Smith</i>
<i>6-6 Neil Wiseman</i>	<i>6-17 Jason Robinson</i>	<i>6-27 Alec Smallcomb</i>
<i>6-7 Skyler Summers</i>	<i>6-18 Jake Winchester</i>	<i>6-27 Avery Leisinger</i>
<i>6-8 Julie Rose</i>	<i>6-18 Jade Yockey</i>	<i>6-28 Nancy Kollars</i>
<i>6-10 Kevin McGregor</i>	<i>6-21 Julie Bailey</i>	

CULTURAL SUNDAY JUNE 14TH 2026



We invite everyone who is willing to bring a dish that is meaningful to your family, heritage, or culture, whether it's a treasured recipe passed down through generations, a favorite comfort food, or something that tells your story.

This will be a wonderful opportunity to:

- Share food and stories
- Learn from one another
- Celebrate the diversity within God's family
- Experience "Beloved Community" around the table

You are welcome to wear cultural attire if you would like!

No matter where you come from, there is a place for you at the table.

"Though many, we are one body in Christ." – Romans 12:5

All are welcome!

Thank You

Dear Kathy and Sew 'N'Sews,

Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer quilt that was placed on your altar and then brought by Kathy to me. It means a lot to me to have outreach and prayer groups praying for successful surgery. I'm doing great!!! I treasure your quilt and friendship!

God is Great!

Barb Siedenburg

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

UMM SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER

UMM will not be meeting in June, July, or August. They will resume in September and hope that many of you will choose to join them this coming year!!!

UMW AND SEW 'N' SEWS SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER

Methodist Women do not meet during the summer months. Will resume in September.

Sew 'N' Sews will continue to meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Reminder, we are always looking for fresh fruit and rhubarb for pies. We are thankful for all the support and donations that help us to support the missions we donate to each year. God Bless you all!

NO SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE JULY 4TH

We will not have Service on Sat night on July 4th due to Holiday.

SATURDAY NIGHT POTLUCK JUNE 13TH

We will be having a Saturday Night Service at 6:00 PM and supper following at 6:45 PM. We will have a baked potato bar. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert if you can. All are welcome.

FATHER'S DAY LUNCH JUNE 21ST

There will be a Father's Day lunch hosted by the Keipers in honor of their 59th anniversary. It will be served immediately after service that day. Entire congregation is invited!

BLOODMOBILE JUNE 22ND

Bloodmobile will be at Faith United on Monday June 22nd. This will be hosted by our local FBLA chapter. Please sign up and help support this great cause.

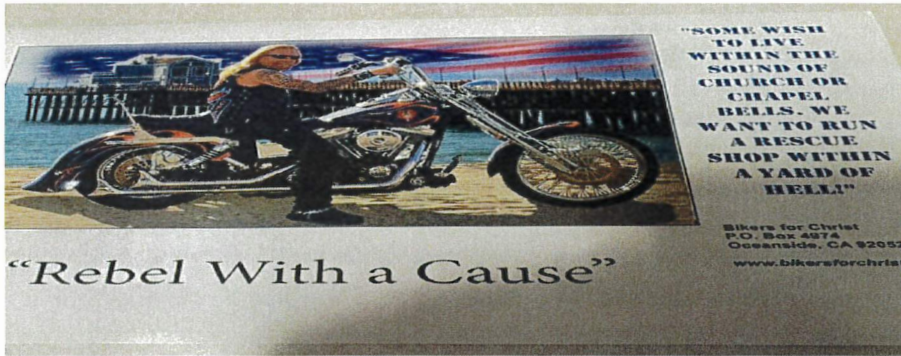
COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE AND LUNCH JUNE 28TH

This will be held at Davis Park in Gibbon at 10:30 am. (weather permitting) Lunch will follow hosted by the Sell family at Faith United. Please come and enjoy a day of fun and fellowship!!

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JULY SATURDAY NIGHT POTLUCK AND SERVICE

We are hoping to host the local chapter of the Bikers for Christ in July. We will have a potluck meal following if all goes as planned. We tentatively have it set for July 11th. We hope many of you are able to join us that evening as we hear testimonies from a great group of Christians that give so much!!! More to follow in July newsletter.



4TH OF JULY PARADE

We are planning on having an entry for the 4th of July Parade this year. Tentatively looking at a pickup with banners and Pastor Doreen and some kids will follow passing out postcards and bracelets as well as candy. If you have any ideas or donations for this please let us know.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL UPDATE

This summer, Amy Holcomb and Carol McGregor are exploring the possibility of hosting a two-day VBS. In previous years we partnered with the Baptist church, but due to many of their members being involved in Awanas, they are taking a break from VBS this summer.

For VBS to move forward, we are looking for committed leaders who can take the lead in

- Games
- Music
- Crafts
- Stories

We are considering two possible date options:

- July 13–14
- July 20–21

We are also open to someone who feels called to take over coordinating the full program. If you are willing to lead one of the areas above (or step into a larger coordinating role) please let us know. VBS can only happen if leadership roles are filled.



JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL



COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE



SUNDAY, JUNE 28

10:30AM

DAVIS PARK

weather permitting

BRING A LAWNCHAIR
FOR PARK SEATING

LUNCH TO FOLLOW AT
FAITH UNITED