

# The Spire Lite

June 2022



*The righteous man walks in his integrity. His children are blessed after him.*

Proverbs 20:7



We hope to get out to Fair Acres this summer to host a Bingo for the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, which is Deloris Hanley's floor. We are going to be collecting Bingo Prizes. Donate small items: snacks, personal hygiene, collectables, puzzle books, coloring books or anything else you think they would enjoy. Please leave the prizes on the back table in the Chapel.

## Worship in the Chapel

On Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, we will be moving Sunday morning worship to the Chapel. Worship will continue to be both in person and virtual.

We continue to want you to feel safe while worshipping. If you need to move a chair, please free to do so. If you have any concerns, please talk to Pastor Brenda or one of the Board members.

We look forward to worshipping together this summer in the Chapel but will continue to be virtual as well.



## From Dave Geveke

My father, Hans Geveke, as many of you know, was in the hospital last week with a collapsed lung. Thankfully, he was able to come home after spending six days in the hospital! I visited him whenever I could. It reminded me of the time when I was five years old and I was in the hospital. At that age, you don't have many memories, but I distinctly remember my dad visiting me. It brightened my day and accelerated my recovery.

Thank you to all the men who have loved and cared for children. As Paul wrote in 1 Thessalonians, fathers encourage and comfort their children. Happy Father's Day!

## Organist Update

We are in conversation with an organist candidate to finalize details of the contract. Our hope is that the organist would begin in the fall. Continue to pray for this process.



### Joyful Noise

Do you enjoy hearing the bells ring? Join us bringing the beautiful music to worship. The Joyful Noise Bell Choir is in need of one or more bell ringers. See John Shaw if interested.



A sturdy, steady hand to hold to  
In times of strife and stress  
A true friend we can turn to  
When times are good or bad  
one of our greatest gifts and  
blessings,

The man that we call Dad.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries for June and July

### June Birthdays

- 7 Adam Robert Moore
- 8 Henry Strunk
- 28 Lori Furniss

### June Anniversaries

- 11 John and Rev. Brenda Shaw
- 15 Doug and Marsha Scott
- 22 Darlene and David Pysler
- 30 Frank & Sue Kulp

### July Birthdays

- 2 John Fraim
- 7 Linda Cook
- 8 Billy Lord
- 10 Karen Johnston
- 13 Grace Miles
- 16 Betty Vandergriff  
Christy Mason
- 18 Jesse Kulp
- 28 Harold Hampton
- 30 Stephen Shaw
- 31 Charlene Miller

### July Anniversaries

- 7 Bill & Karin Lord



## Memorial Day

Upland Baptist Church walked in the Memorial Day Parade with 15 participants!

After, the ceremonies, Sue Kulp, Stephen Shaw, Dawn Rafalski, and Pricilla Mills doled out water, macaroni salad, chips and dessert with the help of Resurrection Church to many picnic goers! 230 plates were served.

Everyone was grateful for the delicious food that was served. Fun was had by all!



Summer is upon us. Please pray for our students as they finish up their school year. Please pray for fun and safe summer vacations for all.

## Memorial Sunday

This year we will plant some new plants in memory of those who have had memorial gifts given in their name in the past year. We pray for their families and love ones and appreciate the gifts, which continue to support God's work.



We remember...

- William Herbster, WWII
- Billy Wray, WWII
- Charles Hartshorn, Vietnam War
- Carlton Ottey, Vietnam War

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13

## In Honor of Father's Day – Enjoy Some Dad Jokes

- "What did Baby Corn say to Mama Corn?" "Where's Pop Corn?"
- "What's the best thing about Switzerland?" "I don't know, but the flag is a big plus."
- "What does a sprinter eat before a race?" "Nothing, they fast!"
- "Where do you learn to make a banana split?" "Sundae School."
- "What has more letters than the alphabet?" "The post office."
- "Dad, did you get a haircut?" "No, I got them all cut!"
- "Where do boats go when they're sick?" "To the boat doc."
- "I don't trust those trees. They seem kind of shady."
- "Why don't eggs tell jokes?" "They'd crack each other up."
- "I don't trust stairs. They're always up to something."

## Devotional Thought...



Matthew 11:25-30

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from *the* wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes. <sup>26</sup>Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. <sup>27</sup>All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and *the* one to whom the Son wills to reveal *Him*. <sup>28</sup>Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am <sup>l</sup>gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

Whether you spend your extra hour sleeping, reading, or collecting bugs, you hope it is restful. But if you woke up today still tired, stressed, and carrying a heavy burden, you need more than just an extra hour in your day. This invitation was unlike any other that people would have heard.

It was Jesus' conclusion that was most memorable for His listeners. Jesus calls everyone who is weak, weary, tired, famished, sick, burdened, or looking for something different to search no further and come to Him. He proclaims that in Him a person can discover true rest. In verse 29, Jesus uses the metaphor of a wooden crosspiece—a yoke that fastens two animals together for plowing—to illustrate how He gives this rest. In other words, the God of the universe is volunteering to take on our load, teaching us how to live, demonstrating gentleness and humility, so our souls can experience respite.

While we ought to be thankful for a good night's rest and an extra hour to our day, ultimately, we ought to thank God for the true rest that comes only from taking Jesus' yoke upon us. Jesus was aware that true rest doesn't come from simply more time in your day, it comes from being in His presence and allowing Him to carry your heavy burden.

Brian Klimek

Being a dad takes courage in today's world. We have to withstand the pressures and fears we face. This Father's Day honor and celebrate the dad you know who have shown their faithful love. Remember the dads who mentor and teach you. Let them know the difference they make.

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