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# THE BEACON

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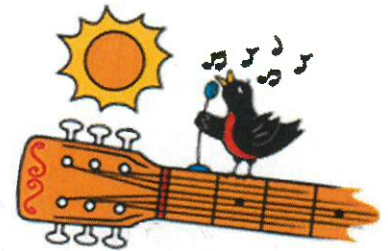
"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you," says God to each of us. "Before you were born, I set you apart" (Jeremiah 1:5, NIV).



Community Picnic & Christian Karaoke  
Sunday

August 21<sup>st</sup>  
Winklepleck Grove  
3:00 – 5:00 PM

Food, games for the children, singing!  
Sugarcreek and Dundee churches  
will be joining us!



*Christian  
Karaoke!*



Saturday  
August 27<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 – 7:00 pm

Proceeds to benefit Garaway Release Time  
Sponsored by the Missions Committee

Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

Come and enjoy breakfast during the Sunday School hour No  
Sunday School classes that day  
Support the children who will be promoted during the  
Worship Service and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders who will receive Bibles.  
Our Sunday School teacher will also be recognized.



**\*\*\*IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JEFF – NEXT PAGE PLEASE READ\*\*\***



Beloved saints at Union Hill,

With the results of the “unofficial straw vote”, the leadership has started the possible process of disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church.

We have prayed and should continue to seek the Lord's will in this matter.

The next step will be an official vote by members of the congregation on Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm with our district superintendent conducting the vote. She will also inform us of the exact cost to pay to the conference to disaffiliate. Of course, we will communicate this as much as possible. My door is always open to help clarify if needed.

As of right now the bishop is not planning to hold a special conference for the churches that are asking to disaffiliate early. This means if the official vote is for us to leave it will take effect Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 11:59 pm.

Please keep this matter in prayer. My heart hurts for those that are hurting. Our “unofficial” vote was not unanimous. Scriptures tell us to “Rejoice with those who rejoice and mourn with those who mourn.” (Romans 12:10) Let us “make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.” (Ephesians 4:3)

According to Bible.knowing-Jesus.com the New Testament says over 50 times to love one another. Are we? Do we? Really? Jesus our Lord said, “By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for another.” (John 13:35)

Grace Abounds,  
Pastor Jeff

## SUMMER BIBLE READINGS: AUGUST

The reading for August are:

July 31 – Aug. 6: Psalm 1:1-9  
Psalm 14:1-7  
Psalm 24:1-10  
Psalm 27:1-14

August 7 – 13: Ecclesiastes 3:1-14  
Ecclesiastes 12:1-8  
Isaiah 42:1-13  
Ezekiel 2:1-3:15  
Ezekiel 37:1-14

August 14 – 20: Daniel 1:1-21  
Daniel 2:1-49  
Daniel 3:1-30  
Daniel 4:1-37  
Daniel 5:1-29

August 21 - 27: Matthew 1:18-25  
Matthew 2:1-23  
Matthew 9:35-38  
Matthew 10:1-42  
Matthew 14:22-36



August 1: Layla Schwartz  
August 2: Caitlyn Maust  
August 3: Karen Miller  
August 5: Karen Leishman  
August 8: Julie Maust  
August 13: Linda Huffman  
August 15: Glenn Huffman  
August 19: Paula Steel  
August 20: David Gerber  
August 22: Bob Adams  
Chuck Elmore  
August 24: John Steel  
August 25: Jake Miller  
August 27: Juli Grove  
Mandy Sitzlar  
August 28: Wanda Croft  
Henry Kuemerle  
August 30: Shelby Gerber



August 1  
Rick & Deb Swihart  
August 6  
Bob & Roxie Gerber

## TATC NEWS

To kick off the new school year, the TATC will be having fun on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> riding go-carts! Watch for details during the announcements.



## SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Congratulations to the following graduating seniors and college students in receiving scholarship monies this year:

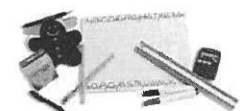
Emma Andrews  
Emily Deam  
Luke Miller  
Mikayla Sitzlar  
Kelsey Swihart for 2021

## BARRS MILLS FOOD PANTRY

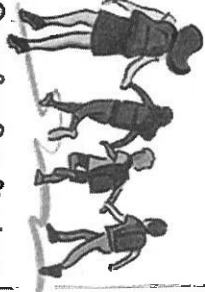
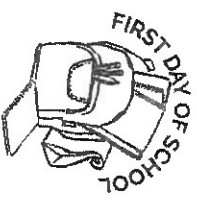


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## OCC ITEMS FOR AUGUST



School Supplies  
August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Pray for Our Students 6pm - T A T C 7	1	9am - Busy Bees 7:30pm - Ad. Board 2	3	4	5	6
6pm - T A T C 14	15	16	 17	18	12pm - SIS 19	20
Pastor Jeff Course of Study 3pm - Community Picnic 21	Newsletter Items due 22	23	24	25	Pastor Jeff Course of Study 26	Spaghetti Dinner 4pm - Spaghetti Dinner 27
 28	29	30	31			
Promotion Sunday 6pm - T A T C 						



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