

"It's Time To Share"

Let us not lose heart in doing good for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary.
Galatians 6:9

When you take a global view of our world, natural disasters occur every week. When you add war, civil wars and a pandemic, slower-moving disasters continue to fester each day.

The larger disasters are captured by our news media, and word of these tragedies is brought into our homes. It is difficult to imagine the suffering of those whose lives are forever changed. However, many needs of our world - whether in a neighboring state or half the world away - remain uncovered by our news media. With our extensive network of international and domestic partners, American Baptists can - and do - make a difference wherever and whenever disaster strikes.

**One Great
HOUR
OF SHARING**

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering (OGHS) is there to link arms in times of great tragedies "Let us not lose heart in doing good." Our goal for this offering for the month of June is \$1,400.00. Let us continue this good work. Let us stay energized. Let us give generously. The opportunity is now. It is time to share.

Pastor Rick

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Newsletter

Sunset Hills Baptist Church

The very last Father's Day card I gave my dad was more a thank you card. It was one of those rare cards that actually said what I wanted to tell him. Chances are you've seen one like it. It said, "Dad, thank you for giving me roots that grew deep, and wings that fly high." It was one of the all-too-few times when I wrote out, "I love you" to my father on a card or anything else.

And I'm so glad I did. That card was on the end table next to his living room chair a month later when Annie and I entered my parents' living room the morning after he died. We'd received "the call" on the road and were graciously relieved from our duties as youth choir chaperones at a music conference. They stuffed gas money in our hands, prayed over us, and said quick goodbyes. Then we began the drive back to Glenwood, Iowa, all through the night from midstate Wisconsin.

Once home, I had to look at my dad's chair. Siblings and spouses and Mom milled around the living room, into the dining room, through the kitchen, back into the living room. No one would sit in Dad's chair. Too soon, you see. It was as though we needed to get through that initial reality check that Dad wasn't there. Nor would he be. But looking at the ever-present pile of reading material next to his chair, I could see the card from Annie and me in a stack with the Father's Day cards from my siblings and their children.

Thirty years his son, and I never knew that Dad saved his Father's Day cards. I certainly didn't anticipate that they'd be out in the open, even in the quiet of my parents' home. Dad was a reserved man and kept a lot of things to himself. And we can't say - this side of glory - that Dad left them out with a purpose beyond that of easy access to the affirmation he received that Father's Day.

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That year, the last Father's Day we had with Dad, each of the five of us sent him cards with that simple reminder in writing, "I love you," and indicated that we were simply glad he was with us. No strings attached.

So, here's a request, one kid to another: Tell your dad you love him. No strings attached. Write it out if you have the gumption. You don't have to wait for Father's Day. (And if you forgot Mother's Day, make that phone call.) You won't regret it.

And here's another request to you dads out there: Tell your kids you love them. They have short memories, so tell them often and intentionally. You won't regret that, either.

Last thing: Whether you think so or not, there are places in your family no one else can ever fill. So God bless you for showing up, Dad. You're teaching them to grow deep, and to fly high.

They'll remember.

-- Steve Wamberg

Upcoming Sermon Schedule

June 4	That Pesky Fork in the Road	<i>2 Chronicles 7:12-22; John 15:1-17</i>
June 11	Your History of Prayer	<i>Psalm 65</i>
June 18	Saving the Appearances	<i>Psalm 115</i>
June 25	Every Thought Captive	<i>2 Corinthians 10:1-6</i>

Prayers for Health, Healing, and Strength

Dominique and her premature daughter - acquaintance of Dixie Hernandez
 Jeremy Flannery - in ICU - acquaintance of Dixie Hernandez
 Terry Anson & Family Larry Peterson Alexander
 John Corey Dave Tonda Dale
 Rusty Anson Kim Wille Deanne Caughey Mike Loeffler
 Bob Molby Linda Hedrick Nancy Berney Jacque McDuffie
 Yvonne Swearingen Betty Prokop Jack & Carol Welch Patty Martin
 Glenn & Linda Kilpatrick Mark & Ruth Steele Amber Dale Nancy Quinnette
 Dan & Marge Todd Barb Ganey Norma Larsen

Please pray for the NE Regional Search Committee
 Sunset Hills Pastor Search Committee
 On-going prayers of well-being for shut-ins and military personnel.

For regular prayer requests, please text or call and leave a message for Dot North at 402-658-6401, emails may not be seen in a timely manner. She will confirm that your request was received and it will be sent out to the prayer chain. Your prayers are very important.

CAMP MOSES MERRILL SUMMER CAMP 2023

Camp Session	Dates	Grades	Before/After May 1st
Mission Camp	June 11-16	7-12	\$335/\$360
JAM Camp	June 11-13	1-6	\$155/\$155
Mid High Camp	June 18-23	7-9	\$320/\$345
Music & Drama	June 25-30	4-12	\$335/\$360
Day Camp	June 26-29	1-6	\$125/\$125
Junior Camp	July 9-14	4-6	\$320/\$345
Senior High	July 16-21	9-12	\$335/\$360
Family Camp	July 28-30	All Ages	

Cabin	Adult (13+)	4-12 year old	0-3
	\$135	\$80	\$25
Lodge	Adult (13+)	4-12 year old	0-3
	\$165	\$100	\$25

Grades going into in the fall



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Date	Attendance	Giving
April 30	70	\$2,142.00
May 7	61	\$2,260.50
May 14	71	\$3,476.00
May 21	64	\$2,019.82
May 28	TBD	TBD

SHBC Financial Scoreboard	
April Pledges	\$17,896
YTD Pledges	\$56,464
YTD Income	\$63,095
April Expenses	\$12,807
YTD Expenses	\$53,583

4 Annie Wamberg
6 Don Zak
10 Abitha Nallathambi
19 Carol Jones
28 Diane Workman



Women Mentoring Women
Monday, June 12 and 26
6:30 p.m.
Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
See Jacque McDuffie or Shawnda Woods with questions.

Happy Anniversary!

7 Jacob & Amber Dale 9 Years
21 Tom & Kerry Thompson 42 Years

Vision Statement
Communicate the love of God so all may experience the joy of a relationship with Christ.

Mission Statement
Build disciples by empowering each church participant to practice personal and congregational mission to reach people in our everyday lives.

Vacation Bible School 2023



TRUSTING GOD WHEN WE'RE SCARED

Saturday, June 10
10 a.m. - 2 pm
Ages 4 - 10

Stewardship Ministry 2023 Team News for June - Ron Reed

We are still in need of a new Stewardship Ministry Leader. Please pray about serving God in this ministry. On May 20, many volunteered for our Spring Cleanup Event. Thanks to each of you who work to maintain and improve God's Sunset Hills building and grounds. Proposals for several needs are currently being sought: the women's upstairs restroom drain line and toilets backup and clogging; annual crack sealing for parking lot and drive; parking lot paint stripping; and erosion repair and control for the open ground in the northeast open ground. As needs come to mind, please write a note and put it in the suggestion box in the narthex. Blessings! – Ron Reed

Pastor Staff Relations Committee News for June - Ron Reed

We'd like to remind you that your concerns matter and we ask that you make them known to Nancy Berney, Jason Rich, Denise Vanosdall, Linda Wheatley, or Ron Reed. Our next quarterly meeting will be in July. In the love of Christ, Ron Reed

Adult Sunday School Class News for June - Ron Reed

We are experiencing wonderful attendance on Sunday mornings scheduled from 9:00 to 10:00 in the lower-level, doubles classroom. We would love to have you come and grow with us in faith as we learn from Bible-based teachings. As well, we'd love to fellowship with you. In God's will, we're trying to be, Ron Reed

Men's Study Group News for June - Ron Reed

Our group has grown... praise the LORD. We have room for more to join in the discussions on Tuesday evenings scheduled from 6:30 to 7:30 by way of Zoom. We are growing in faith much more by "going deep" into the Word of God. Please, contact Don Zak, Bob Molby, Marvin Vanosdall, Rick Wheatley, Bob Slechta, Steve Wamberg, or Ron Reed so we can send you the Zoom Link by email.

Women's Adult Sunday School

We meet every Sunday, even if there is only one person present. We have no set leader. We pray and read from the Bible as the Holy Spirit leads us and we discuss what we read as it pertains to our lives to help us live more Godly lives as women in this world. We meet from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the classroom at the bottom of the stairs when you enter in the north entrance of the church. There is a sign on or beside the door. Please feel welcome to attend at any time the Holy Spirit moves you to join us in rejoicing and praising our Lord.

**Sunset Hills Baptist Church
Ministry Council Minutes
May 15, 2023**

Members present: Diane Workman, Moderator; Rev. Steve Wamberg; Doug Larson, Treasurer; Ron Reed, Stewardship and Pastor/Staff Relations; Dot North, Prayer; Jason Workman, Safety/Security and Music/Worship

Devotion: Pastor Steve Wamberg provided the devotion.

Finances: Doug Larson presented the budget/financial.

- Discussed the suggestion to move some investment money (\$50,000) from Morgan Stanley Account into a different account – motion was made by Doug Larsen and seconded by Dot North, all members in favor.
- Bank Account trustees/signers – Discussed the need to update the bank accounts regarding signees.
 - * Mark Caughey is to be removed from role as a signee.
 - * Scott Darden (Accountant) is to be the executive signee across all accounts.
 - * Doug Larson (Treasurer) is to be on the main church checking account as a signee but not on the Benevolence account.
 - * Jason Workman (Benevolence Chair) and Scott Darden are to be signees on the Benevolence account.
 - * Jason Workman is not to be a signee on any other account.

Motion was made by Dot North, seconded by Ron Reed, all members were in favor of adopting all account signee changes listed above.

Safety and Security: Reported ceiling and light falling out of place and needing repair at the base of the back stairs. Stewardship will look into the concern and schedule repair.

Music and Worship:

- Concern was shared about the worship volume (too loud) 6 people concerned and would like to see volume come down a bit.
- The new drum set has arrived and needs to be assembled – Jason rich is on this project.
- Pastors (2) mics being worked on by Jason Rich to improve the quality.

Pastor/Staff Relations: No concerns discussed, will be meeting next month.

Prayer:

- Siting with God scheduled June 1 – need to announce/explain this to the congregation.
- Suggested we add a bench in the front for individuals to sit on while waiting for loved ones. Jason Workman will explore options and what memorial funds may be useable for the project.

Ministry Council: Review of the By-Laws; finalizing of the revisions may need to move to email discussion as we are against the deadline.

Discipleship:

- Recognition May 28th – Diane Workman working on the recognizing of graduates.
- Diane Workman building project for Father's Day gifts.
- VBS signage needing light. Ron Reed is looking into solar lights to light up the sign.
- Need to promote all three Sunday School Classes. Dot North will promote/write up something for the newsletter.

Mission and Outreach:

- Someone has approached Diane interested in being a leader (coming in the next month or two should have them committed to joining the Ministry Council.)
- Promoting VBS, ideas?
 - * Discussed getting address, personal information for follow-up.
 - * Jason Workman will discuss with LaShawda Woods for appropriate permission slip for safety concerns.
 - * Diane and Pastor Steve will work on follow-up ideas/process.

Shepherding: Benevolence security issues (issuing funds) should always have 2 people present.

Cooler cabinet project for the food ministry is ongoing – ministry appreciates the work.

Stewardship: Parking lot maintenance:

- Bids out for 3 companies for resealing the lot.
- Bids out for 3 companies for re-painting the lot.
- Discussed the need for re-evaluating the handicap slots.

Also discussed adding slots at the front door area and removing the designated signed. Discussed stump removal needs, Ron Reed and Jason Workman will continue to seek appropriate bids.

AA/NA groups have been notified about VBS.

Discussed need for Spring cleaning, carpet cleaning and pew cleaning.

Fire door/egress opening needs regular cleaning, leaves (security to visually check each Sunday.)

Diane Workman reminded the council of monthly project needs.

Next meeting: June 19 at 6:30 p.m.

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REMINDER OF SPECIAL UPCOMING REPEAT PRAYER EVENT!

Sitting With God – An Interactive Prayer Service!

Thursday, June 1st from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Everyone/anyone is encouraged to attend and take part in this incredible experience. Any questions may be directed to Pastor Jason Workman, who led us in the first Sitting With God service or to Dot North or anyone who attended the first service.