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SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:30 AM
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30 AM
SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 PM

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The Messenger

"Taking the TRUTH of Jesus into the world!"



Unpacking is all I can think about this week. This past Sunday, we had a fantastic crew come and move our family into our new home. The next step is to unpack everything and find a new place for it. One of the items we found a new place for is the china we received as a wedding gift. For the past 8 years it has been stored in the original boxes in an attic. Now it has found a place in a kitchen cupboard with the hopes that it will be used more regularly.

It is beautiful china. Jenn and I were looking at it yesterday and were once again pleased by it as we were 8 years ago. There are reasons why we didn't use it. It was such a hassle going to the attic, taking it out of the specially packed boxes, washing them, then putting them on the table to be used, only to be washed again, packaged and sent back to the attic. Another reason is that we just don't trust our kids, knowing something will break if we use it. So something of value and beauty has been stored away without hardly any use.

Our faith gets treated the same way too often. We put it on the shelf and let it just sit there. Sometimes we put it in the attic for a long time or we just don't bother with it at all. We bring it out on special occasions, maybe Christmas, Easter, or a difficult time. But for the most part we just keep it in a place

where we can get at it if we really need it.

Unfortunately that is not the purpose of our faith in Jesus Christ. It is not to be an optional part of our lives, it is to be the most important and active part of our lives. Hebrews 6:10-12 says, "[10] God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them. [11] We want each of you to show this same diligence to the very end, in order to make your hope sure. [12] *We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.*" The Hebrews writer here shares that we cannot let our faith become lazy or unused but to imitate those who have proven faithful to God. And we recognize the proven faithful by those who have diligently used their faith in their everyday lives through love and good deeds. Our china is still on the top shelves in our kitchen, ready to be used but its still out of our regular reach. When I look on our counter top, we have the microwave, the toaster, cutting board all ready to be used for the next task. I guess our faith is to be on the countertop, readily accessible for the next reaction, response, and need instead of a high shelf or even an attic. Where have you placed your faith? Is it time to move it to the countertop?

Jeremy

Financial Peace University



On Sunday, May 17th, we will be starting another 13 week course of Financial Peace University (FPU). The first class had tremendous success and we hope to see more success in this next class. By the end of the class the average family pays off more than \$5000 in debt and saves almost \$3000 which is similar to what we saw in our first class. This class is open to the community for anyone interested in improving their financial situation. To find out more, please check our website: www.sheldonchurch.com/fpu where you can find a link to a preview of the class or call us at 452-5354.

ELDERS and STAFF

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Herb Cooper 452-5818 Phil Crick 447-8144
Brandt Johnson, Youth Minister 452-5275 Jeremy Allard, Minister 452-5646

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



PRAYER REQUESTS

Ed Crick: As he recovers from his surgery and copes with the loss of his leg.

Nicky Crick: Her aunt that is near death.

Deb Fetting: A friend of Lora Wimer has a spot on her leg that is not healing.

Marie Biller: A friend of Scott and Pam Starkey that is very ill with cancer.

John Moore: A friend of the Starkey's as he deals with cancer.

Kevin Baughman: A praise that his MRI showed no new tumors.

Ruth Burmeister: Has a good red blood count. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

Kate Ostrowski: Is home and doing much better after her stroke.

Jay Phillips, former resident and husband of Florence Pickering Phillips: Is very critical with lung cancer.

Bud Ehlert, Randy's father: Had surgery on his carotid artery.

Jim Bollum, Marian Cooper's brother: Had an infectious cyst on his brain. He had surgery and is recovering.

Our Mission at Sheldon Church of Christ:

To know Christ better and to make Him known to everyone.

May Special Days

1	Ray and Helena Jiskra
2	Dale Farber/Jeremy Allard
3	Colin Stamper
6	Kim Hulle
10	Nicky Crick/Mya Baselt
11	Von and Lena Baughman
15	Michele Kinney
17	Lena Baughman
18	Tiffany Gerber/Ryan Ehlert
19	Jon Farber
24	Dean Cooper
26	Emma Allard/Megan Stamper
28	Renee Poppenhagen

If we missed you, we are sorry and we want to know. Please email us at office@sheldonchurch.com so we can update our records.

PERSONAL PROFILE

To get to know people better, we will be profiling a different person each month.

Name: Derek Baselt.

Born: November 4, 1973 in Fond Du Lac, WI.

Family: Wife: Lauren, Daughters: Alyssa, Mya.

Fondest Childhood Memory: Going to the stock car races in Bruce.

Education: Flambeau High School and WITC in Rice Lake.

Work Experience: Diesel Mechanic, cable TV, self-employed tower man and logger.

Favorite Food: Pizza.

Hobbies: Bow hunting and carpentry.

Favorite Verse: Psalm 23:4. Life is too short to fear any worldly problem.

How I became a Christian: Teenage conversion.

Biggest Challenge: Being self-employed.

Most Spiritual Growth From: Small groups.

I Will Never Forget: The birth of my children.

A Lesson I Would Like To Pass on: Hard work will pay off.

Church Leadership: Church maintenance.

Powerful Prayer Warriors

Would you consider being a Prayer Warrior for Sheldon Church of Christ? Every month we will send out a letter that will consist of a short devotional reading on prayer and a list of items to pray for the next month. The lists might vary between individuals. If you would prefer getting an e-mail, please let Jeremy know. The only responsibility is that you take time and pray through the list regularly.



National Day of Prayer

On Thursday, May 7th is National Day of Prayer. This year's theme is "Prayer: America's Hope". The schedule for this year is:

12:10 -12:30pm- Prayer for our leaders at the south flagpole at the Rusk County Courthouse
7:00 pm- Evening service at the Congregation Church in Ladysmith



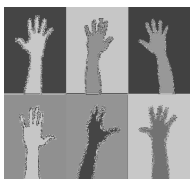
Camp Work Day Calling All Men, Women, Boys, and Girls

Join us at Christian Harbor Youth Camp on June 5-7 for a fishing event and work weekend. This is a free fishing event with prizes awarded and a guest speaker. Come and enjoy some fishing time and helping with some camp projects such as: painting interior of cabins, painting exterior of chapel, build blind around mops, yard work, and cleaning interior of buildings. Food and lodging are provided. Please let us know how many are coming so adequate food can be prepared. Enjoy an evening around the campfire with great music and stay over for Sunday worship. For questions or to make reservations, contact Russ Kinney 715-403-1940 or 715-595-4880.

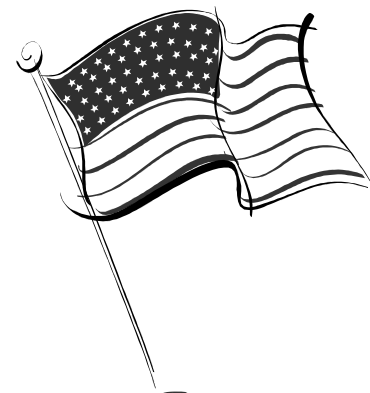
New Address:

Jeremy and Jennifer Allard
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Volunteer at Christian Harbor

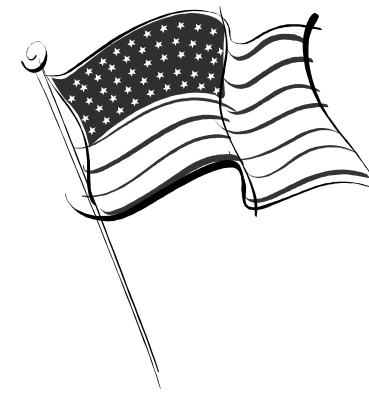


We're looking for energetic, willing people to help with various jobs on the campground. You will stay in the staff house, eat in the dining hall and have the same rules and regulations as other camp staff. Possible job responsibilities are: helping with food prep, help serving food, help with dishes, doing yard work, and painting/other maintenance as needed.



YOUTH GROUP

May 2009



Congratulations!

Class of 2009

To all of our Seniors of 2009, our hats are off to you! Congratulations for a job well done. We are proud of you for this big step in your life. This is a tough part in the road of life. May God be with you on your journey.

Here are our Graduates:



Matt Anderson
Tyler Feirtag
Megan Stamper
Ryan Stewart



Open House

Here are the dates of Graduation parties and Open Houses for our Graduates:

Tyler Feirtag — May 29th 1-?pm @ ????
Megan Stamper - May 30th 4-8pm @ Stamper's
Ryan Stewart — May 30 3-7pm @ Stewart's

Please contact Grads for details.

CAR WASH

We will be offering a Car Wash on May 16th. Drive to Sheldon dirty, go home CLEAN! Our wash will be from 8:00 AM till 12:30 PM We will be accepting donations for the wash and all proceeds will be used for youth activities. Thank You for supporting our youth!



SUBSTANCE

On Sunday May 17 we are going to "Substance" in Eau Claire. Substance is not just another church service. It is **not just a youth** event. Substance is a monthly gathering for **all ages** and all walks of life. Adults are invited also. It is a place to experience **real worship** and life-changing application through music, creative arts & powerful teaching. We will be leaving the church at 4:30 PM and be home before 10:00 PM.

For details please call Brandt or check out "Substance" online at www.substanceec.org



Pizza Fundraiser

Do you like Pizza? I mean, Do you REALLY like pizza? If you do then you cannot miss this great deal!! We are selling HOME MADE PIZZA as a fundraiser for our Youth Group! You may have had these famous Pizzas before and know how awesome they are!! They can be kept in the freezer so you can stock up on them!

To order please contact one of the youth or Brandt. We will be taking orders through May 10th and they can be picked up at the church on May 16th during the Garage Sale Day in Sheldon from 8 AM till 12:30 or after church Sunday May 17. Delivery or drop-off can be arranged.

Schedule Change

There will be a change in our Youth Group's regular meeting schedule for the Summer. We will be changing from Sunday Nights at 7:00 PM to Wednesday Nights at 7:00 PM. Our first Wednesday meeting will be on May 20th.