

# THE UNITED METHODIST MESSENGER

*Pastor's Pen*



## **HOT FUN HYDRATION AND CELEBRATIONS**

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Saturday Celebration  
5:00 p.m.

Sunday Worship  
8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School  
10:15 a.m.

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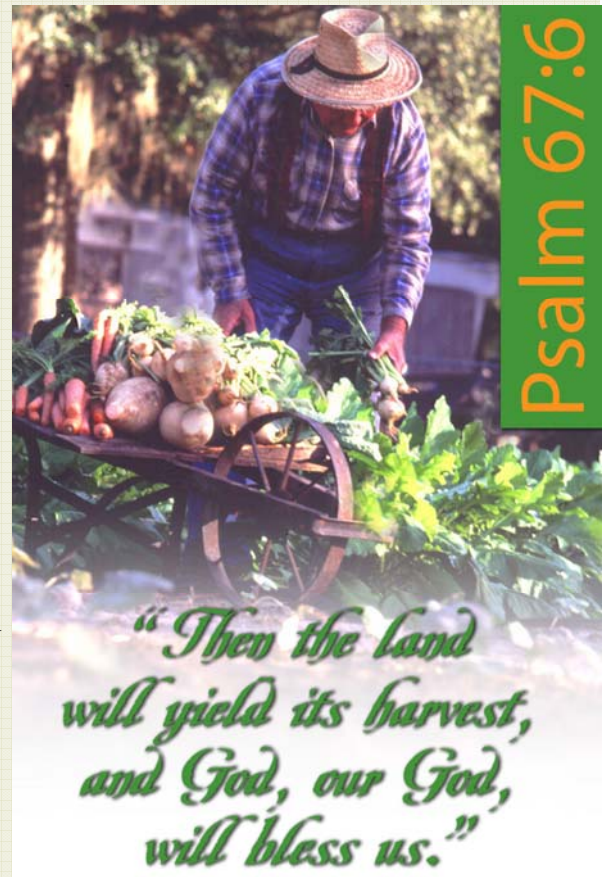
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After waiting for some time summer finally announced its presence and now it's August and the heat continues. Although most people like the warmth and brightness of the sun, the reality is that the hottest days of the year often fall in August. There's an old saying, that many farmers hold dear "dry August and warm doth harvest no harm". I pray that this is indeed a true statement because when the harvest is not harmed, people get to work and have fun with each other. So let me take this opportunity to warn everyone to be patient with each other in this heat and to keep hydrated.

August is that time of the year when a number of exciting cultural festivals are held and local events are going on everywhere, especially around our church. For example, the Rich Criss concert, the return of our youth from their mission trip to Cortez, Colorado with their worship service which is always a blast; and the 175<sup>th</sup> Church's Anniversary service with former Pastor and now Assistant to the Bishop, Reverend Arlene Christopherson with an fun-time Church Picnic afterwards.

So don't let the heat get you down. Drink plenty of water and take advantage of the various activities scheduled throughout the month. Enjoy!

-Pastor Harlene Harden-



Psalm 67:6

*"Then the land  
will yield its harvest,  
and God, our God,  
will bless us."*

### August 2011 Worship Schedule

August 6– Saturday Celebration at 5:00 p.m. and  
August 7– Sunday Worship at 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Bill Landis

Scripture: Matthew 14: 13-21

Sermon: Strong Faith

August 13– Saturday Celebration at 5:00 p.m.

Rich Criss Concert

August 14– Sunday Worship at 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Harlene Harden

Scripture: Matthew 15: 21-28

Sermon: The Blind Leading the Blind

August 20– Saturday Celebration at 5:00 p.m. and

August 21– Sunday Celebration at 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

L.I.F.E. Missions

August 27– Saturday Celebration at 5:00 p.m.

Pastor Harlene Harden

August 28– Sunday Worship at 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Arlene Christopherson

#### Baptisms:

To schedule a baptism, please call the church office at least 2 months in advance. Baptisms may be scheduled at either the 8:30 or 10:00 a.m. service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

#### Holy Communion:

Holy Communion is observed the first Sunday, and the second Saturday, of each month. If you are home-bound and would like to partake of Holy Communion each month, please contact the Church office.



Thaine Hunt	Alice Kelley
Ben Lamm	Steven Hawley
Isla Luxton	Marybeth Curl
Marjorie Peterson	Lori Harmon
Doug Elder	Vera Worden
Avery Gerdes	Babe Worden
Don Stearns	



### Pray for our Military Men & Women

PVT Tom Fleenor	*PVT2 Nels Lindgren
*LT Robert Ortman	MSgt. Bianna Yeager
*LCPL Brett Gulke	PFC Derrick R. Wells
PVT Ben Bushno	SGT Shaune Clark
SGT. Neil Smith	Jason Abitua
*SPC Mitchell Stewart	*SGT Dustin Bell
LCPL Matthew Einhorn	Cpt. Garrett Slack
LCPL Kyle Keneway	PFC John Harris
CPT John C. Whitehead	David Whitehead
*PFC John Z. Talmage	SGT Andrew Sheehan
*CPL Anthony Dewitz	Eathon Larson
*SPC Christopher Isabel	
*SPC. Matthew "Scott" Stewart	
SPC Timothy Stewart	
*indicates deployed personnel	

## UMW Corner

It's a tough issue to think, talk, and learn about. It affects men, women, and children alike. It's in our newspapers, TV, and online news every day. It's domestic violence. You may think it doesn't exist in your family, but it's in our church family. Attend the workshop at Rochelle UMC (709 Fourth Ave.) from 3-5 PM on August 14 to learn how to listen to and support those who need it most. United Methodist Men and Women are sponsoring this event and it is open to anyone interested.

All the circles of Sycamore United Methodist Women will have a unit meeting on Thursday, September 1 at 6:30PM in the Concourse. Our own Charla Antrobus will present a program on "Women's Health". Come and learn something new about this ever changing topic. Bring a friend and be ready to enjoy desserts served by the Mary Circle. Women of all ages are welcome!

## Thank You

Dear Scholarship Committee & SUMC Family,  
Thank you so much for the scholarship. It will help greatly with school expenses. I am so excited to be starting this next step in my journey as a graduate student and I am so thankful that my church family has been there to support me.  
Stephanie Maurer

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A special thank you to our wonderful family, our church family, relatives and friends who made or 60th Wedding Anniversary such a wonderful success. It was a very nice party.  
Thank you again.  
Love,  
Betty & Richard Hall

## Please Remember

Bulletin articles are due the Wednesday of publication. Please keep bulletin articles and announcements short, as we all work together to save resources of both paper and money. Questions? Call Jennifer in the Church Office. Thank you!

## School Supplies Are On Sale Now!

It is time to buy school supplies for Sager Brown. For those of you who don't have children in school, remember when going shopping for those supplies was fun and yet challenging. In times such as these, many families are very challenged to afford these supplies. More than half of all school kits actually stay within the U.S. Any items you buy will help a family get their child off to school with the supplies they need. A list of items is on the table near the mission bulletin board. Please place supplies in the box under the table. And thank you for giving a child what they need to start school.





## Live a God-Pleasing Life!

As Christians, we are stewards or managers of all the gifts God has given us. This is quite a task, one that we, quite frankly, on our own, are incapable of carrying out. Yet we don't have a choice; for all Christians are called to be stewards. We are not left on our own, though. Remember, the God who calls us equips us as well.

*"May the God of peace . . . equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen"* (Hebrews 13:20-21)

**Faith is the foundation** of our stewardship. It is only through faith that we can please God, and it is only by faith in Christ's mighty power within us that we are able to do the works God has prepared for us to do.

If we are to be stewards who **live a God-pleasing life**, we must follow the **path of discipleship** that Jesus lays out before us. We are called to serve, even as Jesus himself *"did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many"* (Matthew 20:28).

God-pleasing stewards give generously, even as their Master, Jesus, gave all he had, his very life. **Generosity was the hallmark** of the early Christians who *"shared everything they had . . . There were no needy persons among them"* (Acts 4:32, 34). Out of thankfulness to our giving God, who gives so generously, we, along with our spiritual forefathers, respond to the needs of others, giving to them as unto the Lord (Matthew 25:40).

Please plan on joining us Rally Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> as we begin a 3 week journey of learning what it means to *Live a God-pleasing Life* and how the faithful stewardship of our time, talents and finances can lead us to that goal. It is the hope and prayer of the Stewardship Committee that you will attend both the worship services and the Bible studies for this very important, educational, and enriching program.

Please watch your mailbox for the annual stewardship drive pledge cards to arrive in mid-September. By making our stewardship intentions known now the Finance Committee can begin the process of preparing the 2012 budget based on the known contributions of the congregation. Completed pledge cards for the 2012 calendar year will be collected during our services on Saturday & Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. A special blessing of all pledges received will be held at each service. We'll also enjoy a potluck luncheon immediately following the 10:00 am service on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

*"All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had."*

Acts 4: 32



## Don't Throw It Out!

Save it for the SUMC Fall Thrift Sale (household items & clothing) and Garage Sale (large items, tools, furniture) SEPT 23 & 24

## Military Ministry News

Dear SUMC and Military Ministry,

Thank you for the letters, cards and things from everybody at the church. I keep thinking every day and every week will get better, but for some reason it hasn't worked like that.

It is getting hotter and hotter every day. We are starting to get the summer heat. But I know the worst has yet to come. The highs for each day now are in the hundreds. And I know that will peak to about 110 degrees in the middle of July.

I'm coming home to visit in the middle of September. So that will be nice to see some familiar faces, for sure!

I hope all is going well at home and with the church community. I know I have to keep my head up and keep the Lord on my mind. I know He is watching over me with everything I do. He will keep me safe. Thank you again for the support from my church family and keeping me in your prayers.

Sincerely,

SPC Isabel, Christopher R.

The following is Christopher's address. It sounds like he could stand to receive some mail from home. Please take a moment to drop him a line.

**Isabel, Christopher R.**

**TF Fighting**

**HSC, 563D**

**APO AE 09355**

On a very happy note we are glad to **welcome home, SPC Scott Maratto**. He is now out of the military and ready to start a new venture. Scott is Leora Little's grandson.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."*

I Corinthians 13: 13

Regardless of the 90° temperatures in July, our knitting needles and crochet hooks created six lovely and comforting Prayer Shawls and two Lap Robes. These Shawls and Robes, holding the blessings of our faith, hope and love, are now ready to go to persons in need of God's special presence and peace.

We always welcome new mem-

bers to our group! We will gladly give instructions on how to knit and crochet at our regular meetings or another more convenient time can be arranged.

### August/September Meeting Dates

Monday, August 1 @ 9:30 a.m.

Monday, August 15 @ 9:30 a.m.

Monday, September 5— NO MEETING

Monday, September 19 @ 9:30 a.m.

### Questions? Call:

Phyllis Anderson (815) 899-9957

Jeanne Johnson (815) 895-5594



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I Corinthians 13: 13



8:30 AM Sunday Worship 8:45 AM Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Worship 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School	9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry (1st & 3rd) 12:00 PM Sycamore Food Pantry	9:00 AM Christian Conditioning 11:30 AM Clergy Staff Meeting	1:30 PM Children's Christian Conditioning	9:00 AM Christian Conditioning 10:45 AM Worship Staff (1st & 3rd) 12:00 PM Church Staff Meeting (1st & 3rd)		7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (2nd & 4th) 5:00 PM Saturday Worship Service
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00 PM Budget Boosters 6:00 PM Finance 7:00 PM Church Council	2 6:30 PM Rachel Circle 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	3	4 10:00 AM Adult Bible Study at Oak Crest 6:00 PM UMM NIC Meeting 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	5	6
7	8	9 6:00 PM Staff Parish	10 6:00 PM LIFE Practice 6:00 PM Stewardship 6:15 PM Adult Ministries	11 6:00 PM LIFE Practice	12 6:00 PM Adult Ministries Movie Night	13 5:00 PM Saturday Worship— Rich Criss Concert
14 11:30 AM Family, Food & Fun	15 6:30 PM Caring Ministry 7:00 PM Ruth Circle	16 9:15 AM ABC Preschool Board Meeting 6:00 PM LIFE Practice	17 1:15 PM History & Archives	18 6:00 PM LIFE Practice 6:30 PM Military Ministry 7:00 PM Trustees	19	20 10:00 AM Sycamore Cares Volunteer Fair 4:30 PM LIFE Lock-IN
21	22 6:30 PM Discipleship	23 1:00 PM UMW Mission Team 6:00 PM Evangelism 6:30 PM Worship	24 6:30 PM Adult Choir Welcome Party	25 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	26	27
28 9:45 AM Acolytes 11:30 AM All Church Picnic	29 7:30 PM ABC Preschool Orientation	30 9:00 AM Craft Group	31 7:00 PM Adult Choir			



The deadline to submit articles for the September newsletter is Friday, August 19.

Please e-mail all newsletter articles to:

[office@sycamoreumc.org](mailto:office@sycamoreumc.org) to make sure your submissions are received.

**Open/Lock Team**

- 8/7 Gil Larimer
- 8/14 Dick Graham
- 8/21 Marv Wildenradt
- 8/28 Rich Kaler



**Ushers**

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|---------------------------|--|
| <i>8:30 a.m. Service</i>  |  |
| Jim Gregg                 |  |
| Clay Kloster              |  |
| Charla Antrobus           |  |
| Jean Gilmer               |  |
| Becky Brown               |  |
| Bob Brown                 |  |
| Cliff McConnell           |  |
| <i>10:00 a.m. Service</i> |  |
| Larry Thomas              |  |
| John Toles                |  |
| Rod McQueen               |  |
| Brad Shortridge           |  |
| Eric Menzer               |  |
| Gene Miller               |  |

**Sunday Greeters**

- 8/7 Ashley Compton, Lizzie Compton, Marlin & Phyllis Anderson, Georgina Yeager
- 8/14 Dean & Sue Curtis, Eric Menzer
- 8/21 Jasmine Stipher, Sally Scott, Charlie & Betty Primm
- 8/28 Marty Roush, Tim Tucci



**Saturday Greeters**

- 8/6 Nancy Davis, Brent Anderson
- 8/13 Dean & Sue Curtis
- 8/20 George & Kathy Brancato and Family
- 8/27 Marty Roush, Berni Schelkopf

**Church Van**

- August 7 Kara Morris
- August 14 John and Linda Toles
- August 21 Leroy & Peg Greathouse
- August 28 Jim & Marcia Stoddard



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## Christian Ministries

Dear SUMC Family,

I hope you are enjoying your summer! I have added another Monday of Summer Bridges. This one room school house format gives children the opportunity to work together as a church family and encourages spiritual, academic and physical growth. We start at 9:00 in Room five with games and puzzles. At 9:30 each child will be given a packet at his or her grade level to work on for thirty minutes. If a student is entering a grade in middle or high school he or she will assist me with the younger ones like Tyler Hull did last month. Thanks, Tyler! At 10:00, we watch a Bible video and eat a snack. Last month we watched The Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan. While the kids are watching the video, I will go over the written work so I can see if there are any academic needs that need to be addressed. At 10:30 the students will participate in an enrichment activity concerning the video. At 11:00 there will be a physical activity like circuit training or kickball. At 11:30 the students will participate in a scavenger hunt and speech activity. The classes are from 9 to noon on Mondays, August 1, 8 and 15. The suggested cost is \$5 per student going into Kindergarten through fifth grade. Middle School and high school students are considered assistants and are not charged! They are just appreciated!

Family, Food and Fun will be Sunday, August 14 from noon to 2:00 p.m. Join us for lunch and swimming. Bring a side dish to share, a swim suit, towel and any swim accessories desired. Hot dogs, table service and water are provided.

Stay cool,

Julie Sgarlata

## Thank You

Dear Pastor Bill,

We do not know each other but I wanted to let you know how thankful I am for the help that your church provided me with today. My husband just went into renal failure in April due to being a type 1 Diabetic for 30 years. He has had Diabetes since he was 2 years old. He has been on kidney dialysis for the past 2 months now and it has been quite a rough road. Even though he was signed up to receive for Medicare plan B, we realized after getting approved that the Medicare does not cover prescription drug costs. We recently submitted an application to receive drug coverage for him but it can take up to 60 days to be approved. Since he and I are currently unemployed due to his health, we could not afford the cost of the prescriptions this month. He does receive unemployment but it barely covers our rent that we pay. Love INC contacted your church in hope for help, and you agreed to help. I truly can't thank you enough. The church we attend is very small because it started only a few years ago. My husband and I were very blessed thanks to all of you, and I felt it appropriate to email you to let you know how much I appreciate your help.

Thank you again and God Bless.

Jason & Katie



## Music Matters

I hope you are all having a restful, fun-filled, delight-in-God summer. I had the privilege of attending a music workshop at Carthage College with Joseph Martin in June. (I have enjoyed his compositions during the years, and one of the first cantatas I directed at SUMC—A WINTER'S ROSE—was his.) It was inspiring to hear his passion. He looked at all of us in the room and said, "We have a season that is ours to lead the people of God in their praise journey, to encourage them in their faith and community. It is a sacred thing to be the keeper of the songs. You will not always have this opportunity. It is a lavish gift."

I couldn't agree more. I feel blessed every day to be here with you in ministry at SUMC—to lead you in the lovely old hymns, and teach you new praise songs. I pray every day for the Holy Spirit to inspire me to create productions that will speak to you, and uplift and heal your hearts. I am overwhelmed with gratitude at the number of talented and enthusiastic people that we have at this church in the music program. And I know that there are MORE people who could join us in this vital portion of worship.

So in that spirit, you're invited to the **ADULT CHOIR WELCOME DINNER** on Wednesday, **August 24, 6:30 p.m.** in the Commons. We do not have try-outs, but come try us out! All choir members, please bring a dish to pass, everyone else please be our guest. We will have a short rehearsal after the dinner, and we sing on August 28 at the 10:00 service. We are never FULL in the choir—there is always room for more.

Regular weekly Adult Choir rehearsals start on Wednesday, August 31, at 7:00 p.m.

CHERUBS, KID'S CHOIR, AND JUNIOR CHOIR (3- year olds through 6<sup>th</sup> grade) begin rehearsals on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. More info will follow in the September newsletter. YOUTH ENSEMBLE will rehearse on Sunday, September 18. If you're interested in children's or adult handbells, which starts in the fall, please contact me at the church office and I will pass on your information to the directors.

INVITE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS to the **RICH CRISS & FAMILY concert** on **Saturday, August 13, at 5:00 p.m.** There will be a free-will offering for Rich during the concert. Rich is a well-known singer and former director of the Celebration Chorale in DeKalb.

Blessings,  
Bev Rauch

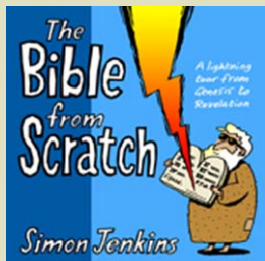
*Rich Criss &  
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**Adult Choir  
Welcome  
Dinner:  
August 24  
6:30 p.m.**

*Children's  
Choirs begin  
September 14  
at 6:15 p.m.*

## Adult Ministries



**Family Movie Events:** Bring your lawn chairs for an old fashioned movie sit in! Each movie is family friendly and will end with group discussion and/or a take home family devotional. Our movie schedule is as follows:

August 12: Little Giants showing at 6 pm

September 11: The Blind Side: showing at noon at Tony and Julie Sgarlata's home (following the 10:00 church service) for Family, Food, and Fun. This feature will include lunch! Please bring a dish to pass. Pizza and popcorn will be provided.

**Adult ministries is looking for volunteers** to lead fall and advent studies. Please contact Diane Parrish 815-751-4942 or Molly Wade 815-762-2645 for more info.

**Request for favorite Prayers!** The adult ministries team is compiling a resource of favorite prayers and scriptures. Any submissions of your favorite prayers for meals, bedtime, times of trial, thanksgiving, or any time would be appreciated. Please submit to the office c/o adult ministries, or by e-mail to [adultministries@sycamoreumc.org](mailto:adultministries@sycamoreumc.org).

**Fall 2011 Studies:** Look for sign ups, and dates soon.

**The Bible From Scratch: The New Testament For Beginners.** The book is essentially an introduction to the Bible for anyone who is coming to it for the first time, or who wants to refresh what they know about it. If you're not sure of the difference between a concubine and a porcupine, or if you're wondering if the epistles were the wives of the apostles, then this class is for you.

**More With Beth Moore** "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit". Find genuine freedom that comes only through a life filled with the Holy Spirit in in this 11 week study by Beth Moore.

**Made to Crave (for women)** Has food become more about frustration than fulfillment? Made to Crave is the missing link between a woman's desire to be healthy and the spiritual empowerment necessary to make that happen.

**Bad Girls of the Bible**-online study From Eve to the Woman at the Well, Delilah to Sapphira, the "Bad Girls of the Bible Workbook will bring you closer than ever to women of Scripture whose lives are filled with important lessons and insights for women today.

## UMM

Sycamore United Methodist Men are having their usually scheduled meetings at 7:30 AM on August 13 and 27. Good Eats, devotions, fellowship, and some business. Our speaker for the 13<sup>th</sup> is to be from the NIU Basketball Coaching Staff. Sarah Tobias, Sycamore Public Library Director, will be our speaker on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

It's not too early to get your reservation in for the 2011 Spiritual Congress! Geared toward personal spiritual formation for men". Don't miss this event and the opportunity to charge your spiritual batteries!!



## Thank You

Dear Everyone,

Thank you for all of your prayers, cards and visits. The Church has meant a lot to me over the years. I appreciate your support and continued prayers. I hope to be home soon.

Isla Luxton

## Acolytes— Mark Your Calendars

All 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Graders interested in being an Acolyte for the 2011 – 2012 School year, the first and **MOST IMPORTANT**, meeting will be Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. The kids will meet during the 10:00 church service, from 10 – 11 and then an additional 30 minutes after that to practice in the Sanctuary how to walk in and light the candles.

Acolytes meet the first Sunday of each month, from 10- 11. The class is led by Amy Munro. If you cannot make it to the meeting, please call Amy 815-895-0331.

## Sycamore United Methodist Youth Ministry

UMY ministry is open to all those youth 6th grade through 12th grade. Youth from a variety of school districts attend our group. You do not need to be a member at SUMC and friends are always welcome to attend! Please check the schedule and meeting times carefully. Updates will be in the church worship bulletin announcements. Also see our website [www.sycamoreumc.org](http://www.sycamoreumc.org). Financial aid is available for any event.

The LIFE MISSIONS (Living In Faith Everyday) group just came back from our week in Cortez, Colorado. Thank you again to everyone who supported us in so many ways!! We truly could not do the trip without the awesome support of our church family. Thank you!!! LIFE Missions will be leading the church services the weekend of August 20-21. The youth will lead all three services. We hope you will plan to attend one of the services and hear all about the trip and support the youth as they share their experiences.

Many of the youth had a great time at Great America on July 16<sup>th</sup>. 3 adults and 15 youth spent the entire day, from 10am – 10pm, going on rides, hanging out and having fun. Thankfully it was right before the really hot days set in!!

### **Junior High Youth (6-8<sup>th</sup> grades)**

Lazertag – Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon (contact Joe if interested)

### **Senior High Youth (9-12<sup>th</sup> grades)**

No formal meetings scheduled in August...relax, help with mission trip service and prepare for school! \*Sunday school will start up Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

### **LIFE Missions (8-12<sup>th</sup> grades)**

Practice for the Mission trip services on August 10, 11, 16 & 18 at 6:00PM<sup>h</sup>. Mission trip services on Saturday, August 20 and Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>.





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