

# *Zion Chronicle* *July 2019*



## **“America the Beautiful”**

Katharine Lee Bates (1859-1929) wrote, edited and taught English in her native Massachusetts. Occasionally, she wrote hymns, too.

On a trip to Colorado, Bates was greatly impressed by amber waves of grain, fruited plains and purple mountain majesties. She believed that God had definitely shed his grace all across this land. A visit to the summit of Pikes Peak inspired Bates to write her most famous poem-hymn, “America the Beautiful.”

Bates also realized that patriotism was an important part of America. She was grateful for heroes “who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life.” She wanted all Americans to realize how God had shed his grace on them and had crowned what was good “with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.”

Bates embodied the spirit of thankfulness to God for all she had experienced and been given.



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Whenever the topic of stewardship and giving comes up, the conversation inevitably turns to the question: “How much should I give?” Answers will vary because the motive behind such questions also vary.

Sometimes the motive behind asking this question is for self-justification. Even though, as Lutherans, we know we are not saved by our works but by grace through faith because of Jesus’ substitutionary atonement, the natural religion of fallen man is to earn God’s favor by what we do.

Take, for example, the response of our Lord to the rich young ruler who asked, “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus first tells him to keep the commandments. The rich young ruler responds by indicating that all this he has kept from his youth. But Jesus tells him that he lacks one thing: He must sell all he has and give it to the poor and then follow Him.

This rich young ruler went away sad because he was quite wealthy and could not part with his possessions. Here we see that those who seek to justify themselves by their giving will hear a response that intensifies the duty that God places upon them. Indeed, they will hear a response that makes it impossible to win God’s favor by their works.

But to those who genuinely desire to know their duty as Christians in the arena of giving, we look to the Bible for our answer. We believe the Bible is the Word of God. And we know that the Word of God has been “breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work” (2 Tim. 3:16–17).

So, we begin to answer the question, “What should I give?” with the question, “What does the Bible say about how much we should give and to whom?”

The Old Testament is explicit. The expectation is that the people of God would give a tithe – 10 percent – of the first fruits of their labor to support the full-time ministry of the Levites. This is what the Lord gave Moses to teach the people:

“You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year. And before the Lord your God, in the place that he will choose, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of your grain, of your wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, that you may learn to fear the Lord your God always.

“And if the way is too long for you, so that you are not able to carry the tithe, when the Lord your God blesses you, because the place is too far from you, which the Lord your God chooses, to set his name there, then you shall turn it into money and bind up the money in your hand and go to the place that the Lord your God chooses and spend the money for whatever you desire – oxen or sheep or wine or strong drink, whatever your appetite craves.

“And you shall eat there before the Lord your God and rejoice, you and your household. And you shall not neglect the Levite who is within your towns, for he has no portion or inheritance with you.

## *Stewardship (continued)*

“At the end of every three years you shall bring out all the tithe of your produce in the same year and lay it up within your towns. And the Levite, because he has no portion or inheritance with you, and the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, who are within your towns, shall come and eat and be filled, that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work of your hands that you do.” (Deut. 14:22–29)

This principle of tithing is carried over into the New Testament, though not explicitly by calling it a tithe. St. Paul teaches the Church at Corinth the following:

We are to give to the church regularly (1 Cor. 16:1–2), proportionally (1 Cor. 16:1–2; 2 Cor. 8:12), and generously (2 Cor. 8:20) of our first fruits (1 Cor. 16:1–2; Gen. 4:4; Prov. 3:9; Lev. 27:30) with a spirit of eagerness (2 Cor. 9:2), earnestness (2 Cor. 8:7), cheerfulness (2 Cor. 9:7), and love (2 Cor. 8:23). And all of this is because the “Lord has ordained that those who preach the Gospel should make their living by the Gospel” (1 Cor. 9:14), just as the Levites did.

This is our New Testament standard. Since Christ became poor for us in order to make us rich in Him – blessing us with the riches of heaven – so we have also been so blessed to follow the example of our Lord and Savior and give of ourselves and the work of our hands to bless others with the same.

If we have been lax in this, let us, like our Lord, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross and scorned its shame, likewise begin to work toward this goal of regular giving of a generous proportion of the first fruits of God’s giving to us.

And let us do so not begrudgingly, but for the joy set before us – with a spirit of eagerness, cheerfulness, and love – to share the blessings of God with those placed into our care.



### A Refreshing Gift

Oh, how beautiful is the summer night, which is not night, but a sunless, yet unclouded, day, descending upon earth with dews and shadows and refreshing coolness! How beautiful the long mild twilight, which, like a silver clasp, unites today with yesterday!

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

## Ladies Society

† Thank you to everyone who helped with the kitchen clean up and inventory of items.

† VBS is August 5-9.

**Mite** Boxes are used to collect money for mission projects selected by LWML delegates at district and international conventions. 25% of the **Mite** offering is sent to International LWML for mission projects and the remaining 75% is used for Minnesota South's mission projects.

On the first Sunday of every month all members of Zion will have an opportunity to participate in the **Mite** box offering. A **BIG Mite** box will be displayed and ready to receive offerings as Zion's members attend worship. You may empty your **Mite** box (if you have one) in the large box or contribute coins or bills as you have been blessed.

If your children like the idea of saving coins for missions, they may also use one of the children's **Mite** boxes available in the narthex.

If you like the idea of a **Mite** box and want ideas of how you might use it, you may want to place it wherever you can feed it; dressing table, office desk, laundry room, car, kitchen counter, etc. You **mite** want to give a **Mite** box to family members and friends. Return your filled **Mite** box to your Circle Treasurer, Ladies Society Treasurer, the Church Office, or the **BIG Mite** box.

**L**ittle  
**W**onderful  
**M**ites make  
**L**ife easier



**Mite Boxes are available at the Card Case.**

**HANNAH CIRCLE**  
July 2 at 9:30 am @  
Family Restaurant

**MARTHA CIRCLE**  
July 9 at Noon @ Pioneer Park  
Pot-luck, in case of rain meet at  
the church.

**RUTH CIRCLE**  
No meeting this month.

**LADIES EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
**There will be no meeting**  
**in June or July.**  
**Next meeting will be August 26.**



**Check out the LWML Websites.**

The National LWML Website: [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)

The LWML Minnesota South District Website:  
[www.mnslwml.org](http://www.mnslwml.org)

# *In Praise to the Lord!*

Lutheran Women's Missionary League  
38th Biennial Convention  
June 20-23, 2019

It is in Praise to our Lord that I would love to share with everyone what He has done through our Lutheran Women's Missionary League! Not only did He provide the physical gifts to gather for His Mission work, but He filled us with His Spirit at the convention to continue His work where-ever we go!

It was a Spirit filled, joyful experience where more than 3,500 women sang and Praised Him.

Two powerful messages, "Sing to the Lord, all the Earth! Tell of His salvation from day to day" (1 Chronicles 16:23), led by Rev Dr. Ulmer Marshall Jr from Alabama, and "Now What?" (Mathew 25: 16-20) led by Rev Dr. Gregory Walton from Florida which empowered me to continue His work.

The Bible Studies led by author Donna Pyle, "Tell the Story of His Glory", a study from Chronicles 16:23-24 reminded us to make sure that the daily presence of His Word in our Lives should not make it less important for us; that He doesn't need us, we need Him, and there is "consequences when we mess up". Lastly she reminded us to be like the cows in the field, ruminating their food during the rest of the day, we should ruminate on the scripture we read in the morning. Her personal witness and sense of humor along with her insight was amazing!

We are thankful that He provided for all members so we surpassed the LWML Mission Grant goal of \$ 2,075,000 for 2017 -2019 and set a new Mission Grant goal of \$ 2,100,000 for 2019-2021, helping 21 mission projects around the world. The first offering of \$43,693.31, at the convention will go to the new mission. The other three offerings will go to specific missions. The second offering of \$ 24,722.60 will be divided between Medical Mission Teams in West and Central Africa, and Expanding the Disability Ministry in the Dominican Republic. I will share more about the 3rd and 4th offerings once I have the totals. A special thanks to our three circles who all sent offerings with me.

Then there was the Keynote speakers! I feel I might have a little glimpse of what Heaven might be like and have no words to describe the experience of peace, unity and joy singing and praising our Lord with my sisters!

Willa Olivier





## 4 Reasons for Christians to Celebrate Independence Day

I was perusing some articles “on line” and thought this one quite fitting to share for this month.

By: Dr. Dillon Burroughs

July 4th marks the birthday of the United States. Many commemorate the occasion with fireworks, cookouts, or displaying an American flag. But are there any biblical reasons Christians can find to celebrate Independence Day? Scripture offers at least four clear reasons.



### 1. Gratitude for Religious Freedom

**First, America offers significant religious freedom for Christians (and others) to freely worship.** *The United States continues to operate as one of the nations offering the most religious freedom worldwide.*

Did you know that more than one-fourth of the nations in the world (53) include some form of legal restrictions or prohibition toward Christian activities? In many places across the globe, you can lose your job, be arrested, or even find yourself sentenced to death for following Christ. Yet in our nation, we can attend the church of our choice, openly read the Bible on our own or with others, and openly pray to God. Despite ongoing legal challenges to certain Christian activities in America, the nation still enjoys great religious freedom. This is certainly something to celebrate.

### 2. Appreciation for Those Who Defend Our Freedom

**Second, Christians can thank God for those who serve and have given their lives to defend our freedom.** This includes past military veterans, current military personnel, as well as honoring their family members. We often forget our freedom of religion and other freedoms can only continue if our armed forces protect our nation and national interests. While this does not mean we have to agree with every military decision or conflict, we can be thankful for all those who serve and their families.

### 3. Thanksgiving for the Opportunity to Participate in Government

**Third, we can thank God for the opportunity to participate in the democratic process of our nation.** While politics is often viewed negatively, governing leaders are ordained by God (Romans 13) and are to receive honor from those who follow Christ. Further, our nation offers the ability to participate through voting, advocating for issues important to our values, and even options to run for political office. Contrast this situation with the tyrannical Emperor Nero who led the Roman Empire during the New Testament period and you'll quickly appreciate the opportunity to have a voice within the political process.

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### 4. Thankfulness for Peace with Family, Neighbors, and Friends

**Fourth, we can express appreciation for a nation at peace.** If you lived in Syria today, your home and community would live under the threat of civil war. In many parts of Sudan, you would live in fear of your town being attack by rebels. If you were a Christian living in Iraq, you may be forced to flee for your safety.

Despite significant violence within the United States, the nation remains free of war within its own borders. Most of us take this peace for granted, yet millions worldwide long for a single night of rest without fear of attack in their communities.

We can at least take a moment to thank God for the peace He has provided for our family, our community, and nation. As Jeremiah 29:7 ESV teaches, <sup>7</sup> But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

...keep running the race with endurance...

Your brother in Christ, Dana Nelson



DON'T TAKE A  
VACATION  
FROM CHURCH

### Where Did You Vacation?

As you go on your summer vacation and visit other churches; bring back the bulletin and announcements for Pastor Matt to see. Place them in the pouch on the Pastor Office door. If you would like to give a report in person, stop by the office. I would love to hear about your worship and Bible Study experience. – Pastor Matt



## *The Bell*

### **I KNOW WHO I AM**

I am God's child (John 1:12)

I am Christ's friend (John 15:15)

I am united with the Lord (1 Cor. 6:17)

I am bought with a price (1 Cor. 6:19-20)

I am a saint (set apart for God). (Eph. 1:1)

I am a personal witness of Christ (Acts 1:8)

I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt. 5:13-14)

I am a member of the body of Christ (1 Cor. 12:27)

I am free forever from condemnation (Rom. 8:1-2)

I am a citizen of Heaven, I am significant (Phil. 3:20)

I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31-34)

I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor. 5:17-21)

I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18)

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)

I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom. 8:35-39)

I am established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Cor. 1:21-22)

I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8:28)

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)

I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph. 3:12)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13)

I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15:1-5)

I am God's temple (1 Cor. 3:16). I am complete in Christ (Col. 2:10)

I am hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3). I have been justified (Romans 5:1)

I am God's co-worker (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor. 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)

I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected (Phil. 1:5)

I have been redeemed and forgiven (Col. 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child (Eph. 1:5)

I belong to God

*Do you know*

*Who you are?*

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## *Thank You!*

Thank you so much to all members of Zion for all the prayers, support, cards, gifts and memorials. We would also like to thank the Praise Team and Paul and Barb Rehmke for singing at the funeral and all the ladies that helped serve the meal following the funeral.

To God be the Glory!

Jeff, Annelisa & Kylie Brown

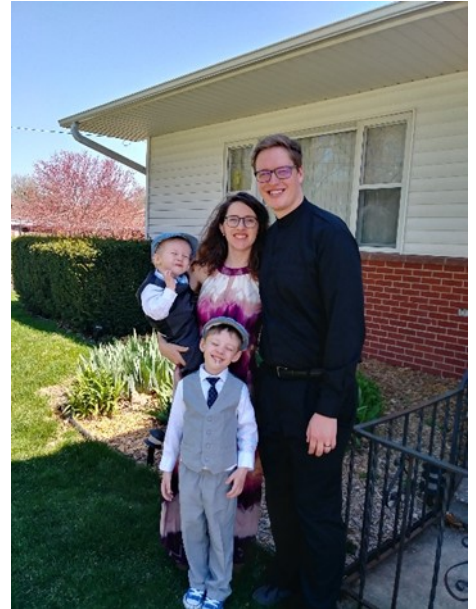
We would like to thank everyone for all their thoughts, prayers, cards, and visits while Truman has been going through all his medical procedures. A special thank you to Pastor Matt for his calls and visits.  
Marva & Truman



# Greetings from Iowa City!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! We hope that you had a blessed Easter and are enjoying the beginnings of summer. We've had several busy months closing out the school year at church. Time is flying by. We now have only two months left until the end of vicarage and we move back to St. Louis for one last year of classes. It's hard to believe we've already been here ten months!

Anna has been busy with classes, she finished her second semester and has started her summer semester in her Master's program, which means she will be graduating at the same time as I will next Spring. She is also busy homeschooling the boys. They're enjoying the warm weather and spending a lot of time outside already. I must share that Anna has also become quite the bread baker! She and the kids regularly bake loaves of bread and make the best tortillas I've ever had.



Ender is enjoying being a six-year-old and is very happy that Summer is almost here. As long as he can ride his bike around the church parking lot and go on walks with us to a nearby playground, he's happy. He is trying to read all the books in the house, and he loves listening to his Chronicles of Narnia audiobooks. He has also recently started a rock collection and is especially interested in gemstones.

Iden just keeps getting bigger. He is a mere two months away from turning two, and he is one of the friendliest kids I know, giving smiles to anyone who will smile back. He follows his big bother (Brobro) around and wants to do everything he does. His favorite superheroes are Superman and Spiderman, and he loves having books read to him.

I was very busy with all the extra services and events that the Lent and Easter seasons brought. It's been a wild but great couple of months. I've learned a lot and gained confidence in my ability to do all the things that a pastor has to do. Now we're past Easter, things have started winding down. Midweek services are done, and confirmation is finished for the year. But I will still have plenty to do, since I am organizing two large church events this summer as well as going to Chicago for a week long service program. I'm certain that the next two months will fly by even faster than the previous ten. But for now, I'm still just taking it one day at a time.

We hope you are well. We would love to hear from you about what's going on in your lives. Thank you so much for all of your support. You will be in our prayers. Please continue to keep our family in yours as well.

Blessings, Joshua, Anna, Ender, & Iden Otterman

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## *Worship Life at Zion*

Services will continue with the regular schedule.

Mid-week worship service with Holy Communion on Thursdays at 6:45 pm

Traditional worship service with Holy Communion on Sundays at 8:00 am

Contemporary worship service with Holy Communion on Sundays at 10:30 am

### **July 7 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalms 138

Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

Luke 10:1-20

### **July 21 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 18:1-14

Psalms 27

Colossians 1:21-29

Luke 10:38-42

### **July 14 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Leviticus 19:9-18

Psalms 41

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

### **July 28 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 18:20-33

Psalms 138

Colossians 2:6-19

Luke 11:1-13



## *“Summer Rain”*

Oh, what is so pure as the glad summer rain,  
That falls on the grass where the sunlight has lain?  
And what is so fair as the flowers that lie  
All bathed in the tears of the soft summer sky?

The blue of the heavens is dimmed by the rain  
That wears away sorrow and washes out pain;  
But we know that the flowers we cherish would die  
Were it not for the tears of the cloud-laden sky.

The rose is the sweeter when kissed by the rain,  
And hearts are the dearer where sorrow has lain;  
The sky is the fairer that rain-clouds have swept,  
And no eyes are so bright as the eyes that have wept.

—Fannie Sherrick

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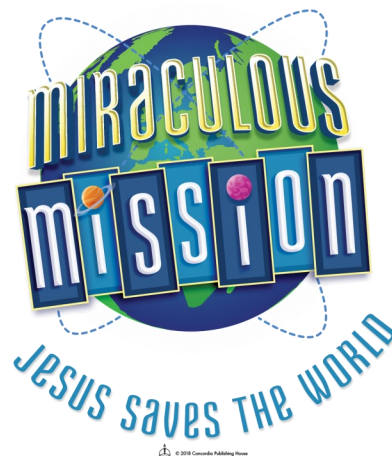
**VBS 2019**

**AUGUST 5-9**

**5:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**REGISTER ONLINE AT**

<https://vbsmate.com/ZionAlbertLea>



**REGISTRATION IS  
FOR STUDENTS  
AND VOLUNTEERS!**

**Gracious Gifts Given in Memory of...**

Eric Heskin:

\$25 Mission Central

Jodi Brown

\$130 Food For Backpacks

\$100 Praise Team-Music

\$ 30 Church Bell Repair

\$ 20 Stain Glass Windows



# Zion's Beautiful Feat

Romans 10:15

## THANK YOU!



We would like to give thanks to God for the fantastic people of Zion who came together and formed this outstanding team, Zion's Beautiful Feat!

Our team, with the enormous help of Zion's members, and several flocks of flamingos, were able to raise almost double our goal! We have raised to date of (6/25/19) \$4279 which is 15% of all the money raised for Freeborn County.

Dawn and I would like to thank all of those who signed up to be on our team and those that supported our team by donating and praying for us.

We have not stopped with the fundraising, we have just slowed down a bit. If you would like to flock someone for their birthday or anniversary, or just for the fun of it, contact either Dawn Dace or LeAnn Houle and we will gladly make those pink birds appear in that yard.

Our team site at the Relay For Life had bars and water to sell for a free will donation and was able to bring in \$158 and our basket that our team had put together, raised \$101.

We were also able to advertise our upcoming VBS. We handed out bubbles to the kids and cards to the adults with the VBS information on it.

Thank you so very much!

Co-Captains, LeAnn Houle and Dawn Dace

## OUR TEAM!

Bonnie Westbee  
Keith Kemkes  
Pastor Matt  
Toni Timm  
Samuel Houle  
Joshua Houle  
Dwight Meyer

Diane Hanson  
Susan DeSart  
Arlene Murray  
Elaine Nelson  
Nancy Golde  
Bruce Drescher  
Co-Captains: Dawn Dace & LeAnn Houle

Sue Schmidt  
Natalie Nelson  
Elaine Mucha  
Richard Mucha  
Marie Hinkley  
Travis Drescher



## *A Note from Pastor*

Beloved Family at Zion!

Very soon, July 15 will mark our first year of ministry together as pastor and congregation. There have been many pleasant and fond memories for me, and hopefully for you too. Coming into your midst, you gave the warmest welcome to me and my family! The outpouring of Christ's love is evident in your lives as you are overflowing with the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. How that brings joy to my heart, knowing that God is at work in your lives. Please, accept my humblest and most profound thanks for your presence during this first year. Thank you for all the support, energy, generosity, assistance, guidance, and willingness to trying new adventures and avenues of ministry. It spoke volumes! For we are all apart of something incredible and you have truly made a difference in mine and many people's lives; all because of God's work amongst us at Zion! Words do not express my gratitude, but that is all I can share with you through a church newsletter article!

Sentimentalist that I am, at the Semi-Annual meeting (July 21 at 12:45 PM), we will take a quick glance back at this first year, looking at the positives and negatives! The goal is to focus on what went well; and positively build upon those strengths; and by knowing our weaknesses, we can address how to overcome them in a positive manner as we walk together in ministry as God's people! In my sharing time, as your pastor, I hope to outline future goals and a direction for ministry for the year ahead and beyond. Zion has a bright and beautiful future ahead in Christ!

Finally, I have to say this to you, if I have not said it enough; ... that you have not just been a wonderfully supportive congregation to me as your pastor, you have also been a loving family to my family and me, hopefully, vice versa! THANK YOU!

Sincerely in God's love!

*Pastor Matt*





## *Good News on the Airwaves*

### **Lutheran Hour**

The Good News of Jesus Christ is proclaimed across the airways each Sunday on WCCO (830 AM) at 6:05 am or KJLY (93.5 FM) at 6:00 am. Join the Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler as he shares the powerful Word of God!



### **July 2019**

July 7

#### **"A Time to Talk"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
Talking to God -Lord's Prayer  
(Matthew 6:5-15)

July 21

#### **"Relationship"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
Communing with God--Lord's Supper  
(1 Corinthians 11:17-34)

July 14

#### **"Turning Point"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
Belonging to God--Baptism.  
(Romans 6:1-11)

July 28

#### **"You Have No Right to Be Angry"**

Guest Speaker: Rev. David Habershtock  
TBD  
(Matthew 5:17-26)



### **July 30-Aug. 4**

The Freeborn County Fair is just around the corner. It is time to start thinking about what days you would like to sell tickets for the parking lot. It will be easier with the newly painted lines! There will be a sign-up sheet available soon.

# Activity Page



Create this colorful July 4<sup>th</sup> craft.

## What you need:

- Decorated card stock square (5" x 5")
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- 2 one-inch circles of card stock
- Glue
- Pipe cleaner (3 inches)
- Drinking straw



## What you do:

1. Fold the square corner to corner to form an X. Unfold.
2. To make spokes, cut the four creases until an inch from the center.
3. Punch a hole in the middle of the square, near the tips of each spoke, and in the middle of each circle.
4. Fold each spoke toward the center, lining up the holes. Glue in place.
5. Wrap one end of the pipe cleaner around the top of the straw. Thread a circle, the pinwheel, and the remaining circle onto the pipe cleaner.
6. Roll the pipe cleaner end into a ball. Then spin!

# Puzzle!

Determine the letter patterns and fill in the blanks to complete Galatians 5:1, NIV.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

F	Q	L	V	C	R	O
G	R	K	U	D	Q	P
H	S	J	T	E	P	Q

I	O	B	H	A	L	P	Q	K	D	W
H	P	C	G	B	M	O	R	J	C	V
G	Q	D	F	C	N	N	S	I	B	U

F	E	U	L	P	W	E	D	V
E	F	T	K	Q	V	F	C	U
D	G	S	J	R	U	G	B	T

P	B	Q	R	V	C	O	H	B
Q	C	R	S	U	D	P	G	C
R	D	S	T	T	E	Q	F	D

Answer: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free.  
(Galatians 5:1, NIV)



## "IN DEPENDENCE" DAY!

Always live "in dependence" on God.

Directions: Use the vowel code to complete Psalm 16:8, NIV.

A= E= I= O= U=

k \_ p my \_ y \_ s  
lw \_ ys \_ n th \_ L \_ RD.  
W \_ th h \_ m \_ t my  
r \_ ght h \_ nd,  
w \_ ll n \_ t b \_ sh \_ k \_ n.  
Ps \_ lm 16:8, N \_ V

Answer: I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Psalm 16:8, NIV



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 9:30 am Hannah Circle @ Family Restaurant 7:00 pm Elder's Meeting	3 4:30 pm Line-up @ fairgrounds 6:00 pm Parade	INDEPENDENCE DAY 4 OFFICE CLOSED NO SERVICE OR PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE	5 OFFICE CLOSED PASTOR'S DAY OFF	6
4TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 7 8:00 am Traditional Worship w H.C. 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Contemporary Worship w H.C.	8	9 Noon Martha Circle @ Pioneer Park 6:45 pm All boards meet 7:30 pm Church Council	10 9:00 am Quilters	11 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service w H.C. 7:45 pm Praise Team Practice	12 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	13
5TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 14 8:00 am Traditional Worship w H.C. 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Contemporary Worship w H.C. Noon Sudanese Worship Service	15	16 1:00 pm Cheer & Comfort	17 9:00 am Quilters	18 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service w H.C. 7:45 pm Praise Team Practice	19 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	20
6TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 21 8:00 am Traditional Worship w H.C. 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Contemporary Worship w H.C. Noon Pot-Luck 12:45 pm Bi-Annual Meeting	22	23	24 9:00 am Quilters	25 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service w H.C. 7:45 pm Praise Team Practice	26 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	27
7TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 28 8:00 am Traditional Worship w H.C. 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Contemporary Worship w H.C. Noon Sudanese Worship Service	29	FREEBORN CO. FAIR 30 Event Parking 4:30-8:30	FREEBORN CO. FAIR 31 9:00 am Quilters 1:00 pm Bingo at Good Samaritan Event Parking 4:30-8:30	FREEBORN CO. FAIR 1	FREEBORN CO. FAIR 2	FREEBORN CO. FAIR 3 Event Parking 4:30-8:30

## Serving in July

Sunday	7/7		7/14		7/21		7/28	
	8:00am	10:30am	8:00am	10:30am	8:00am	10:30am	8:00am	10:30am
Acolyte:	Travis Overland	Samuel Houle	Carly Hoffman	Raven Mitchell	Hailey Bera	Samuel Houle	Travis Overland	Raven Mitchell
A-V Team:	Jim Viktora Brooks Drescher Willa Olivier	James Hedin	Wayne Prudoehl	David Kelly	Roger Panzer Brooks Drescher Nancy Golde	James Hedin	Jim Viktora Roger Panzer Nancy Golde	David Kelly
Comm. Assist:	Chrisitaan Olivier	Bruce Hayden	Wayne Prudoehl	Jeff Brown	Bill Podratz	Dean Johnson	John Domes	Tim Kasper
Elder:	Jim Viktora	Bill Morris	Jim Viktora	Bill Morris	Jim Viktora	Bill Morris	Jim Viktora	Bill Morris
Greeters:	Jean Prescher	Buddy & Phyllis Bonfy	Jim & Deb Viktora	Bruce & Dawn Drescher	John & Charlotte Leininger	Nancy Bottelson	Rick & Bonnie Ashling	Pam Doss & Dawn Dace
Lay Reader:	Orda Podratz	Dana Nelson	Ann Estes	Lois Palmer	Kelly Schultz	Bill Morris	Ann Estes	Dawn Dace
Organist:	Angie Drescher	Praise Team	Angie Drescher	Praise Team	Angie Drescher	Praise Team	Angie Drescher	Praise Team
Ushers:	Bruce Bakken Orlo Willmert Jerry Kruckeberg Barry Haseman	Bruce Hayden Natalie Nelson	Clint Miller Christiaan Olivier Jock Wenzel Dwight Meyer	Jeff Brown LeAnn Houle	Ron Timm Jim Viktora Truman Gullord Bill Podratz	Dean Johnson Bonnie Westbee	David Overland John Domes Fred Rennpferd Dwight Meyer	Tim Kasper Dick Mucha
THURS.	7/11		7/18		7/25			
A-V Team:	Keith Kemkes		Keith Kemkes		Keith Kemkes			
Elder:	Keith Kemkes		Keith Kemkes		Keith Kemkes			
Comm. Assist:	Kent Dollum		Kent Dollum		Kent Dollum			
Financial Assistants:	Elaine Nelson Marie Hinkley							
Flower and Altar	Elaine Warner Dawn Drescher LeAnn Houle Janelle Hayden							