

Mariners: To be announced

Women's Fellowship: The next meeting is Tuesday, June 18, at 9:30am

EVERY MONTH SCHEDULE

Sunday School	Sunday	9:45 a.m.
Informal Worship	Sunday	10:45 a.m.
Worship Hour	Sunday	11:00 a.m.
Commissions	3rd Thursday	6:00 p.m.
General Board	3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Singers	Thursday	4:15 p.m.
Friday Fellowship	Friday	5:00 p.m.
Mariners	2nd Friday	5:00 p.m.
Women's Fellowship	3rd Tuesday	9:30 a.m.
Food Bank	1st Sunday	9:30 a.m.

Friday Fellowship gathers at 5:00 p.m. every Friday for lunch. Mariner's meet at 5:00p.m. on the second Friday of every month. Everyone is welcome to both. Please join us!

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He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, who abides in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."
 For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.



You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday. *Psalm 91, vs. 1-6*

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
 this Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
 My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

PRAYER CONCERNS



Pat Benton – Lung Function & Healing
Helen Campbell – Foot Healing
Don & Suzanne Frantz – Cancer Healing
Kirby Frantz – Cancer Healing
Cheryl Leib – Healing from Knee Replacement Surgery
Dennis Peterson – Healing from Eye Surgery
Jeff Qualls – Cancer Healing



SINCERE LOVE

Romans 12:9-18

Love **must** be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice, mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: *It is mine to avenge; I will repay, says the Lord.*

You know how much I like **Romans 12:1-3** where we are to offer ourselves as a living sacrifice for God. That way we can know and do His perfect will for our lives. Then this passage follows as a guide for how that sacrificed life should look. One take from this is the fact that we will never be able to do what is listed above until we offer our very lives to God as our living sacrifice for him to mold us into those able to live as is listed above. I like the order of this passage. First and foremost, if we are to do the things that follow, our love must be sincere. And right behind it we must cling to the good and hate, not just avoid but hate evil. Now go through the rest of the guidelines for being a Christian and looking like it. God makes us **His people** able to do **His will** and live a life worthy of **His calling**. Our love must be sincere and we must love, not know, not follow, but **LOVE** Jesus.

God be with you! Now and forever!

Pastor John

POSITIVE INSIGHTS

“Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite. Psalm 147:5

One day, a radio and television producer that I know was sitting in the Pittsburgh airport reading the New Testament. A soldier sitting next to him said, “You now, I don’t think Jesus ever lived at all. It’s all a myth and a fairy tale. He never lived.”

“It’s funny you would say that,” the producer said, “because he was with me here just a minute ago.” “He was with you a minute ago?” asked the soldier. “Is that why you look so peaceful and happy?” “Yes, and you, too, can be peaceful and happy if you will let Him help you get rid of your conflicts and fears. He loves you as much as He loves me.” The soldier stood up and cleared his throat. He took my friend’s hand and he said, “Okay, mister. I think maybe you’ve got something there. I’ll try.”

Now that is all any of us can do, is to try. And as we try, God will meet our feeble efforts much more than halfway. He will give us the power to stand up against fears, disappointments, frustration, opposition, misunderstanding – everything – and we will walk with our heads above it all into victory.

Life Lifter. Practice kindly affection. Practice being considerate. Courtesy has amazing power to dissipate ill will. Free your heart of jealousy and resentment. The love you give will return to you, and lift your spirit to new levels.

Norman Vincent Peale

HOUSELD ITEMS NEEDED FOR WATERFORD PARSONAGE

Beginning this summer the District will be supporting the work to build a new Spanish speaking congregation in the former Waterford COB building. Our planting pastor and her family will be moving to the parsonage soon. They do not have many belongings and we could use many items: washer and electrical dryer, lawnmower, dining/kitchen table and chairs, dressers, couch, chairs, coffee table. If you have items to share please contact **Joel Price** at (209) 204-1956 or **Russ Matteson** at (909) 406-5370. We are ready to accept items now.

GRADUATION SUNDAY



June 2nd is **Graduation Sunday**. We will be celebrating our graduates, **Rachel Price** and **Samuel Price**, with a special coffee hour. Please come help us recognize their achievements as we gather together for food and fellowship! Feel free to bring cards or any token of acknowledgment that you would like to give. Please join us!

APRIL 2019 STATISTICS

Average Attendance: 41

Giving:

Local:	\$5,435.00
Sunday School:	62.00
Youth:	0
Messenger:	0
Mariners:	65.00
Other:	45.00
Total:	\$5,607.00



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WHAT DID HE DO?

By Erma Bombeck

He threw them higher than his head until they were weak from laughter. He cast the deciding vote on the puppy debate. He listened more than he talked. He let them make mistakes. He allowed them to fall from their first two-wheeler without having a heart attack. He read a newspaper while they were trying to parallel park a car for the first time in preparation for their driving test.

If I had to tell someone's son what a father really does that is important, it would be that he shows up for the job in good times and bad times. He's a man who is constantly being observed by his children. They learn from him how to handle adversity, anger, disappointment and success.

He won't laugh at their dreams no matter how impossible they might seem. He will dig out at 1 a.m. when one of his children runs out of gas. He will make unpopular decisions and stand by them. When he is wrong and makes a mistake, he will admit it. He sets the tone for how family members treat one another, members of the opposite sex and people who are different than they are. By example, he can instill a desire to give something back to the community when its needs are greater than theirs.

But mostly, a good father involves himself in his kids' lives. The more responsibility he has for a child, the harder it is to walk out of his life. A father has the potential to be a powerful force in the life of a child. Grab it! Maybe you'll get a greeting card for your efforts. Maybe not. But it's steady work.



FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 9

Women's Fellowship will host a **Father's Day Breakfast** after church on **Sunday, June 9th**.

DATES TO REMEMBER IN JUNE

ANNIVERSARIES

15th – Tim & Catherine Vaughn
17th – John & Kathy Price
22nd – Thomas & Patricia Guthrie
24th – Lyndall & Lois Frantz
27th – Alex & Cathy Arellano
Joel & Susan Price

12th – Wyatt Price
15th – Zachary Baker
Jonah Price
16th – Dennis Peterson
17th – Kathleen Powell
18th – Lyndall Frantz
21st – Kerby Frantz
Kristof Vaughn
22nd – Wanda Bollinger
23rd – Katie Lutes
28th – Helen Campbell
Thomas Guthrie

BIRTHDAYS

02nd – Linda Ward
03rd – Karen Davis
08th – Phil Franklin
10th – Alex Arellano
Jennifer (Welch) Wuchner



If we have missed wishing you a happy birthday or a happy anniversary, we may not have your dates.

Please turn in your name and dates to the church secretary.

You are important to us!



JUNE 2019 PRAYER CALENDAR



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1 Galatians 3:23-29 Sarah Adams Gerald Allinson Alex & Cathy Arellano Molly Arellano Donna Ayres
2 1 Corinthians 3:5-9 Pastor & Teachers Elaine Azevedo Ben Baker Ken Barklow Shirley Beekley	3 Matthew 8:23-27 Don & Pat Benton Wanda Bollinger Pauline Bert Michael Best Earleen Cadruvi & Fam.	4 Psalm 94:17-19 Ron Cadruvi & Fam. Helen Campbell Phyllis Caudle Linda Carter & Ivy	5 1 Peter 3:13-17 Ashley Cooksey & Fam. Naomi Covey Arlene Cupp Karen Davis & Family	6 Philippians 1:20-24 Gary & Charlotte DeHart Chuck & Wendla Dyer & Family Jim & Sue Eikenberry	7 Matthew 14:22-33 Zack Fear Pam Franklin & Cherith Franklin Kerby & Heather Frantz	8 Luke 10:25-37 Lyndall & Lois Frantz Lloyd Fullmer Jerry Goodman Thomas & Patricia Guthrie
9 Acts 2:1-11 Pastor & Teachers Betty Harms & Fam. Clark & Melanie Hartman Jack & Rosetta Hartsfield	10 Romans 1:8-17 Marvene Hilkey Ryan & Kelly Heiny & Fam. David & Evelyn Hurlbut	11 Psalm 127:1-5 Kevin & Deborah Hurlbut & Family Jay Irizarry Norman Johnson	12 Lamentations 3:22-26 Randy & Teri Johnson & Fam. Darlene Kennard Sheryle Knott & Fam.	13 Matthew 7:7-12 Eunice Lasater Mary Lou Lee David & Cheryl Leib JoAnn Lusk Norma Lutes	14 2 Corinthians 5:15-21 Gerri Masellis Ric Mason Edna May Miller Josephine Moore	15 Joshua 1:1-9 Stacy Nelson Suzanne Neptune Kelly Olsson Clifford Parker
16 Luke 2:41-52 Pastor & Teachers Brad Parrish & Fam. Tommie Parrish Daymon & Sarah Peterson & Family	17 John 14:23-27 Dennis Peterson Marge Peterson Eileene Petros Oscar Phan	18 Romans 11:33-36 Jason & Kirsten Piazza & Family Skip & Kathleen Powell Jeff Price	19 Luke 18:1-8 Jeremy & Erica Price & Family Joel & Susan Price & Fam. John & Kathy Price	20 Revelation 3:15-22 Nathan & Kim Price & Fam. Kay Qualls Mike & Laura Radcliffe & Family	21 Psalm 77:1-12 Mary Rariden Charlotte Rice & Fam. Lana Roye Vance Shafer r	22 Proverbs 31:10-30 Vern & Patty Shafer Troy & Joy Slaybaugh & Fam. Marilyn Snider Tony & Laura Snyder & Fam.
23/30 Isaiah 6:1-8 Romans 15:1-7 Pastor & Teachers Gayle Stanfill Glenn Stanford Loretta Stein & David	24 Psalm 78:9-16 Jerry & Amy Stokes & Family Jerry & Judeen Stokes J.J. & Soleena Storne & Fam.	25 Matthew 6:25-34 Veronica Suderman & Fam. Arthur Syverson Mark & Amber Syverson & Family Mike Syverson	26 Ephesians 4:29-32 Natasha Towe Carolyn Trent John & Sue Vacca	27 1 Peter 4:10-11 Tim & Catherine Vaughn & Family Linda Ward & Family Bev Welch	28 2 Kings 6:8-23 Roger & Cynthia Welch & Fam. Josh & Heather Winchester & Fam.	29 Psalm 40:1-3 Derek Wyatt Don & Susan Wyatt Donny Wyatt
























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JUNE 2019 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1 FIRST SATURDAY  9:00am-2:00pm
2  Bread & Cup Communion <i>Congratulations</i>  Graduation Recognition	3	4  EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY 9:00am-Noon	5 7:00 am Government Commodities Distribution 6:00 pm Bible Study 	6 CHOR  4:15pm Fellowship Singers	7  5:00pm Friday Fellowship at LaParilla McHenry Village	8
9  Father's Day Breakfast After Church	10	11  EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY 9:00am-Noon	12  6:00 pm Bible Study	13  4:15pm Fellowship Singers	14  5:00pm Mariners at the Church	15
16 	17	18  EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY 9:00am-Noon 9:30am Women's Fellowship Mtg.	19  6:00 pm Bible Study	20  4:15pm Fellowship Singers 6:00pm Board Meeting	21  5:00pm Friday Fellowship at Dynasty Sylvan & Coffee	22
23/30	24	25  EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY 9:00am-Noon	26  6:00 pm Bible Study	27  4:15pm Fellowship Singers	28  5:00pm Friday Fellowship at Olive Garden 2749 Countryside Dr. Turlock	29

EVERY SUNDAY

- 9:45am Sunday School
- 10:45am Informal Worship
- 11:00am Worship Hour