



Living Life Reformed Church

June 2023

OUR MISSION: To grow a loving community, equipped to take the message of Jesus to our world.

“DISCIPLING OTHERS —while still learning ourselves”

“I have no business doing this,” were my thoughts as I volunteered to coach my son’s YMCA football team. I had never played football. Sure, I had watched plenty of it. And yes, I have played a lot of football on the Xbox. But how could I coach real football when I was still a student myself?

Maybe my coaching experience is how you feel about something like sharing your faith. Not all of us are called to help with youth sports, but each of us is called to everyday outreach. And, if you’re like most people, you probably feel unqualified to disciple someone. I mean, you’re a work in progress yourself, right? That’s true.

Discipleship and outreach are for the professionals, right? Wrong. Every one of us is saved on purpose and for a purpose. That purpose is to make disciples who make disciples—develop “spiritual children” as Paul described Titus (his student and protégé).

Though a top-tier pharisee, Paul wasn’t a church-planter by education. He was a religious zealot who persecuted the churches. But God saved him and called him to lead while he grew in his faith. He led the new churches while learning the process and depending on God. This resulted in revival of the world.

Today, you may be feeling inadequate for the call of everyday outreach. That’s okay. God’s not asking you to save anyone. He’s asking you to live life on purpose. Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 3:6, “I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.” You take part. God saves.

So if you want to see a revival in your neighborhood, workplace, city, university, state, country, or world, it takes 3 things: prayer, dependence, and action.

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Daily Devotions with Pastor Nat

This QR code will take you to Pastor Nat's devotions on the *Back to the Bible* website. Already have a daily devotional? Can you have too many?!

SUNDAY **VOLUNTEERS**

Deacons: Brandon, Shawn, Brett,
Keith

June 4:

Elder: Dean Hestermann
Greeters: Brittany Hart
Coffee: Mark & Kathy Atterbury
PowerPoint: Tony Noble
Video: Ethan/Matthew Sieck
Sound Tech: Taylor TeKolste
Nursery: Leah T & Courtney D
SS 3-6years: Dawnelle & Brent D
SS 1st-5th Grade: Alexis & Cody
Mowing: Doug N. & Tony N.

June 11:

Elder: Doug Goering
Greeter: Ilene Docter
Coffee: Brandon & Nikki Oltman
PowerPoint: Jenn Childers
Video: Ethan/Matthew Sieck
Sound Tech: Robbie Morrison
Nursery: Sam & Ashton Henderson
SS 3-6years: Tammy G & Helper
SS 1st-5th Grade: Alexis & Cody
Mowing: Doug N. & Tony N

June 18: (Father's Day)

Elder: Kendall Weber
Greeter: Mel & Karen Harms
Coffee: Nathan & Breck
PowerPoint: Tammy Goering
Video: Robbie Morrison
Sound Tech: Randy Sieck
Nursery: Beth Sieck & Helper
SS 3-6years: Dani R. & Helper
SS 1st-5th Grade: Alexis & Cody
Mowing: Brent D. & Brett W.

June 25

Elder: Ron DeBoer
Greeters: Savannah Engle
Coffee: Dave & Suzie Oltman
PowerPoint: Ayn Olson
Video: Beth Olson
Sound Tech: Keith TenHulzen
Nursery: Rick & Janelle DeBoer
SS 3-6years: Need Teacher & Helper
SS 1st-5th Grade: Alexis & Cody
Mowing: Brent D & Brett W

Thank you for your time & help!

DISCIPLING OTHERS... Continued

R.A. Torrey said, "Our greatest need today is a deep, thoroughgoing, Spirit-wrought, God-sent revival. Such revivals as far as man's agency is concerned always come in one way— by prayer." Today, we discount prayer. We use it as a last-ditch effort to fix a situation or get what we want. Acts 1:14 says, "All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers." The apostle witnessed hearts melt and lives transformed by the grace of God. And it was preceded and sustained by prayer. We must pray.

Prayer reveals our dependence upon God. As Paul reminds us, we don't save anyone. We scatter seeds of the Gospel and water with our lives. God does the work. So, we must be dependent upon God. This is what God communicated to Solomon. "If my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14). God is on the move to reform the hearts of people. Will we pray? Will we depend on Him?

And God gives us the opportunity to take action. What should you do? As Elisabeth Elliot said, "Do the next thing." What is that for you? Do what's natural. Do what's before you. For me, it was coaching for the Y. Another time, it was gardening in a public space. For a grandma I know, it was baking blueberry muffins for the teenagers who were "up to no good." What was the result for her? Over time, they became friends, became "adopted" grandchildren, and eventually, followers of Christ. She baked muffins and spread the hope of Jesus through them.

What will God do with you? God has you right where He wants you for revival. It doesn't come through the pastor or the Bible teacher alone. It comes through everyday people in everyday ways. People who will pray, depend on God and take action. Are you ready for revival? Let's keep asking God to stir us up to seek Him.

Pastor Nat Crawford

Monthly Consistory Minutes

The consistory voted at the May meeting that we will no longer publish the Consistory Minutes in the newsletter. If you would like to receive a copy of the approved May minutes, copies will be in the fellowship hall, or email the church at church@livinglifereformed.org after the Wednesday, June 14th meeting. If you have any questions, please see a member of the consistory.



Summer Hours

This summer the church office is open daily, but the hours may vary. If you plan to make a trip to the church, please call first - it's summer, and our schedules vary due to family activities. And remember, you can always call, or email and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Thank you!



Saturday, June 24th

Pancake Feed, 5K Fun Run, Parade, Food Trucks, Games, Little Tuggers Tractor Pulls, Fireworks, and More!

Follow "Facet of Firth" on Facebook for more information and a full schedule!



Splash Pad Grand Re-Opening Party

Where: Firth Splash Pad

When: Saturday, June 3rd from 3-5pm!!

There will be balloons, chips, popsicles, and bottled water, so bring the family on down to have some summer fun!!

Splash Pad Hours for the Summer:

Closed on Monday

Tuesday & Thursday 11am - 2pm

Wednesday & Friday 4 - 7pm

Saturday & Sunday 1 - 6pm

Special Holidays TBA

J E S S E E O S B N J A R E D
 N L N R Z M B E E L I J A H S
 I U O A E O A T N A O M I T B
 A C R H K L D H J N E B E U R
 C A A S I A I U A H A P L I Z
 C S A I E S A T M R H A C I M
 I P I L L I H P I O B O C A J
 T J O E L O T A N M J A M E S
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 A A K B C E A U H S O J H D S
 V H U A E S T H E R O C A Y I
 Z Z L G B A A P U S A M U E L
 R A M A T U H T O R H T E J A
 M A T H E W H A D U J E S U S

Names in the Bible

All the words listed are in the puzzle – left, right, up, down or diagonally. Find each word and circle it. The leftover letters will form the **mystery answer!**

Aaron	Abraham	Absalom
Adam	Angels	Benjamin
Cain	Elijah	Elisha
Esau	Esther	Ezekiel
Gabriel	Isaac	Jacob
James	Jared	Jesse
Jesus	Jethro	Joel
Jonah	Jonathon	Joseph
Joshua	Judah	Lucas
Luke	Malachi	Mathew
Micah	Moses	Naomi
Noah	Obadiah	Phillip
Rachel	Rueben	Ruth
Salome	Samuel	Seth
Silas	Stephon	Tabitha
Tamar	Timothy	Vashti
Zilpah		



The Nursery is Open!!!

We're looking for volunteers to help in our nursery during Sunday morning worship for babies through 4-year-olds who are not yet ready for Children's Church. (Children's Church is available for ages 3 to 6 years old.) If you would like to join our rotation, please contact Beth at church@livinglifereformed.org to get added. As a reminder, we have a changing table in the nursery and a private place for moms who might need to feed their babies.



Branson Bus Trips!

Our church is hosting TWO bus trips to Branson, Missouri this year!

Oct. 10-13 & Nov. 28-Dec 1
 Information packets for both trips are available on the table in the fellowship hall. SEATS ARE LIMITED! If you have questions, please see Linda DeBoer or Ilene Docter soon.

JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sundays	9:30am	Morning Worship
Tuesdays	6:30pm	Prayer Gathering
Fridays	6:00am	Men's Group @ LLRC
Mon, June 5	1:00pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene)
Wed, June 14	6:30pm	Consistory Meeting
Sun, June 18		Father's Day
Mon, June 26	1:00pm	"IF" Meeting (Ilene)
M-W, June 26-28	6-8:00pm	Vacation Bible School

Lincoln City Libraries Summer Reading

Community Center
Thursdays, 10:30-11:30am

Bookmobile Downtown Firth
June 10 & 24 2:00-4:45pm

Register for the summer
reading challenge for tickets &
prizes! LincolnLibraries.org

Mary & Martha Circle

Wednesday, June 14

1:30pm

Lesson: Marge Helmink

Anniversaries

- 1 Dave & Suzie Oltman (38)
- 3 Gary & Sarah Lefferdink (17)
- 5 Chad & Tysha Bryant (24)
- Dave & Kathy Hobelman (47)
- 7 Brad & Sara Bartek (20)
- 11 Lloyd & Edna Prange (65!)
- 12 Dean & Cheryl Hestermann (30)
- 17 Justin & Sarah Birkett (6)
- 19 Brad & Tracy Riensche (30)
- 24 Randy & Beth Sieck (17)
- 28 Cary & Lori Prange (37)
- 29 Larry & Julie Hafer (7)

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Nyle Whalen
- 4 Diane Wieskamp
- 5 Marissa Whalen
- 6 Amanda Null
- 10 Dave Oltman
- 14 Brianna Petersen
Alex Olson
Addison Doeschot
Riley Doeschot
- 11 Macy Beat
- 15 Samuel TerMaat
- 16 Doug Goering
- 17 Riley Hestermann
Reagan Hestermann
- 18 Brooklyn Engle
- 20 Sheila Ebbers
Milan Coleman
- 21 Beth Sieck
Jerry Martin
- 23 Bentley Hart
- 24 Asa Docter
Jon VanDenBossche
- 28 Clark Mulder
- 29 Peg Hartgerink

Firth Mom's Group

Brittany Wolf organizes fun activities throughout the month for all ages. On Facebook, you can search Firth Mom's Group where she posts activities, locations, and the dates we will meet during the month. All you need to do is click on "Join" and she will approve your request. Any mom and kids are welcome to come.



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Church Office Hours

Summer Hours will vary. Please call ahead before coming to church

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Sunday Morning Worship

9:30-10:30am

In-person or Livestream on YouTube

Children's Church during worship

Vacation Bible School at LLRC Mon-Wed, June 26-28, 6-8pm

Have you registered yet for VBS 2023? We're ordering supplies and need your kiddos!
Scan the QR code or click www.livinglifereformed.org for quick registration!

VBS is for students Pre-K thru current 5th grade (end of May 2023).
We welcome potty-trained 3 & 4-year-olds to our Pre-K classes!

For VBS Families & Staff: We will serve a full meal from
5:00-6:00pm to help those who work during the day.

If you have any questions regarding VBS or would like to volunteer to help, please call the church office at 402-791-5800 or email to church@livinglifereformed.org We hope to see your kids at this fun event!



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