

Devotion and Announcements

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Good afternoon. I pray you are doing well. Attached is a devotion for Ash Wednesday. I pray it helps you get centered as we begin the Lenten season.

I wanted to share some announcements/opportunities with you as well. Many things are happening in the life our congregation that will help us Connect, Grow, and Serve. I pray you will participate and serve as you are able and that God will guide and bless you as you seek to be a faithful follower of Jesus.

CONNECT IN COMMUNITY

Ash Wednesday worship TONIGHT at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Join us for a time of reflection on our humanity and how we can know God more deeply.

Revive Adams County Worship TOMORROW at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

The churches of Adams County are working together to bring revival to our county. This is a time for prayer, worship, and hearing how we can have an impact for Christ in our community. I encourage you to come to worship, come to see what Revive Adams County is about, and come to be drawn together with believers from around the county in the bond of Jesus.

Cards, Community, and Cookies

Each Monday at 1:00 pm in the lounge a group of seniors get together to have fun and build relationships. Cards and board games are available, coffee and cookies are available, and plenty laughs await. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Drake.

GROW IN FAITH

Sunday morning Discipleship Groups

Alpha & Omega @ 9:15 am in the lounge studying different books of the Bible, led by Helen Walters, Linda Drake, and Joy Klinker.

Revelation study @ 11:15 am in the fellowship hall led by Greg Andrews.

The God We Can Know--a Lenten Study exploring the "I AM" sayings of Jesus @ 11:15 am in the lounge led by Pastor Amy.

Tuesday afternoon Bible Study

The God We Can Know--a Lenten Study exploring the "I AM" sayings of Jesus @ 2:00 pm in the lounge led by Pastor Amy.

Prayer in the Chapel--praying for the needs of those in our prayer guide and needs that come with those in attendance. 6:30 pm Wednesdays in the chapel.

Join Pastor Amy in a weekday fast on Thursdays during Lent. I will be fasting from after dinner on Wednesday and until breakfast on Friday. During the noon hour, I will be praying or reading Scripture. If you would like to join me, send me an email and I can send you the Scriptures for the week.

SERVE IN LOVE

The Road to Resurrection

Friday, March 11 6:00-8:00 pm

We need persons to serve as station leaders/storytellers, station assistants, registration host, travel guides, creating decorations, donating supplies, and coordinating snacks. If you can serve, please contact Annette Gower at gowercrew@gmail.com.

Confirmation Faith Partner

We have 7 middle school youth participating in Confirmation this year. We meet on Sunday evenings from 5:00-7:00 pm, having dinner with the youth group. An important part of the Confirmation journey is adult faith partners who are friends in faith to our middle schoolers. A Faith Partner attends meetings as they are available, prays for their confirmand, and seeks to be in relationship with the youth beyond Sundays. Basically, you are another adult follower of Christ that our youth can relate to, grow to know, and ask questions about faith. You may get asked by a family to be the faith partner for their confirmand, or I might ask you to serve in this important role. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please let me know and I can pair you with one of our youth.

Servants for Children's Ministry

We have a fantastic group of children that are growing in faith through Jr. Church and Discipleship Group on Sunday morning. Annette Gower and a few parents are leading our children in their journey of faith, and we need more adults to join this vital ministry. You don't have to have the Bible memorized or be a superhero in faith to build relationships with our children and help them know Jesus. You just have to be willing to have fun, be a little vulnerable, and willing to have your life changed because of the love our kids have to share. We cannot let the opportunity go by to shape our kids in faith and help them experience the grace and mercy of God. If you can serve one or two Sundays a month, please let Annette know. She will give you all you need to lead and minister, and she will help you in whatever way she can.

Revive Adams County Week

March 6-12 in churches throughout the county. Put this week on your calendar and watch for more information about how you can be involved in reaching people for Christ in Adams County.

I pray that you feel the Spirit of God moving in First Church. We have many people participating in some form of Discipleship Group on Sundays and through the week. Worship has been wonderful with music that draws us deeper into God's presence and God's truth proclaimed in the message. Opportunities abound to serve others and live out our faith. If you are not a part of this, I encourage you to pray about where the Spirit is leading you.

Have a great week.

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