

## Grace

The late pastor and Bible scholar Donald Barnhouse perhaps said it best: “Love that goes upward is worship; love that goes outward is affection; love that stoops is grace. “To show grace is to extend favor or kindness to one who doesn’t deserve it and cares never to earn it. Receiving God’s acceptance by grace always stands in sharp contrast to earning it on the basis of works. Every time the thought of grace appears, there is the idea of its being undeserved. In no way is the recipient getting what he or she deserves. Favor is being extended simply out of the goodness of the heart of the giver...

And now that Christ has come and died and thereby satisfied the Father’s demands on sin, all we need to do is claim His grace by accepting the free gift of eternal life. Period. He smiles on us because of His Son’s death and resurrection. It’s grace, my friend, amazing. That is enough to give anybody a “Yes” face!

## Sermon Titles and Scriptures

<b>Aug. 4</b>	<b>Peter Rescued</b>	<b>Acts 12:6-19</b>
<b>Aug. 11</b>	<b>The Troubling Gospel</b>	<b>Acts 13:42-52</b>
<b>Aug. 18</b>	<b>Mistaken for Gods at Lystra</b>	<b>Acts 14:8-18</b>
<b>Aug. 25</b>	<b>Who is the gift of God for</b>	<b>Acts 15:1-12</b>
<b>Sept. 1</b>	<b>The Leadership of James</b>	<b>Acts 15:13-21</b>

# Ellsworth Methodist Church

August 2024

## KIDS OF THE KINGDOM and KIDS WITH A MISSION

What does it take to be a volunteer for Kids of the Kingdom? Two things come to mind:

1. Love God
2. Love kids

We do have other requirements, of course, but these are crucial! Lord willing, we will begin Kids of the Kingdom after school program on September 11. We are looking at new teaching materials, but classroom teachers and helpers are needed, too! Please be in prayer if this is where God can use YOU!

There will be an informational meeting at 3 p.m. on August 28 in the church basement for anyone interested in volunteering!

Contact Alice Robson (785-531-1432) or Gina McGowan (785-531-1537) with questions.

### Children's Church

We have a fun group of kids (K-3rd grade) who gather after the offering for a snack and drink of water, a video with Bible Story, and coloring activity. The time always go by quickly! Wouldn't you like to join the fun? Please contact Alice Robson (785-531-1432) or the church office to volunteer.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### Children's Sunday School



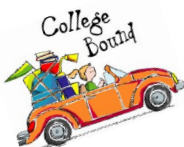
RESUMES FOR THE GRADES K-4TH  
SEPTEMBER 8TH  
9:30 AM  
CHURCH BASEMENT



### Blessing of the Backpacks—August 11th

Please bring your school backpacks to worship on August 11th for the Backpacks ceremony during Worship Service

Following the Service there will be an Appreciation Reception for all volunteers who honor God by doing His work through the children



### College Student

Please send your updated college address to Jessie Deines at [mrsdeines@gmail.com](mailto:mrsdeines@gmail.com) (785)623-7941 the office: [office.ewmc@gmail.com](mailto:office.ewmc@gmail.com) (785)472-3870 or put information in the offering plate

Sunday—August 1th Moment 4 Missions—College Student Mailings



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Please consider joining us and Praise the Lord through singing.

Choir Practice begins August 28th at 7:00 pm

Church Sanctuary

Questions, please contact Amie Fosdick (785)810-8483 Ken Robson (785)472-4900

Church Office  
(785)472-3870

## SUPPORT



Ellsworth Methodist Grief Support Group

Each Monday

7:00 pm—8:30 pm

Church Office Building west door

If you have questions contact church office at  
(785)472-3870



Ellsworth Methodist Cancer Support Group

is no longer meeting at this time.

If you have questions contact church office at  
(785)472-3870

## Modern Jesus / Biblical Jesus

- Preaches only on love
- Gives you health & wealth
- Never says anything negative
- Love & accepted by the world
- Serves your will, not God's will
- Hates to offend you or others

- Preaches God's righteousness
- Gives salvation, hope, peace & joy
- Warns of sin, judgement & hell
- Hated & despised by the world
- Exalts God the Father's will
- Offends the world with the truth

**SATAN DESIRES**

**GOD DESIRES**



**TO DESTROY YOU**

**TO DEVELOP  
YOU**

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Thank  
You

Ellsworth Methodist Church

Thank you for remembering me as I graduated from high school. I will put my study bible to good use as I start the college group at Crosspoint. I am forever grateful for the firm foundation I received at my forever church.

Love Faith



EMW Ladies

Thank you so much for the wonderful  
Garden Party!!

Great time of fellowship and Friends.

Thank you

Lorie Taylor

## Church Photo Directory



***We still need your photos for the  
new directory***

Please send your family photo to  
Jessie Deines at [mrsdeines@gmail.com](mailto:mrsdeines@gmail.com) or  
text them to 785-623-7941  
or bring them to the church office.

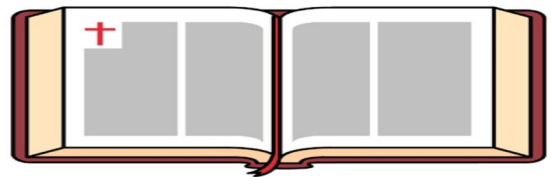
## FOOD BANK



Thank you to everyone who has  
generously donated to the Food Bank.

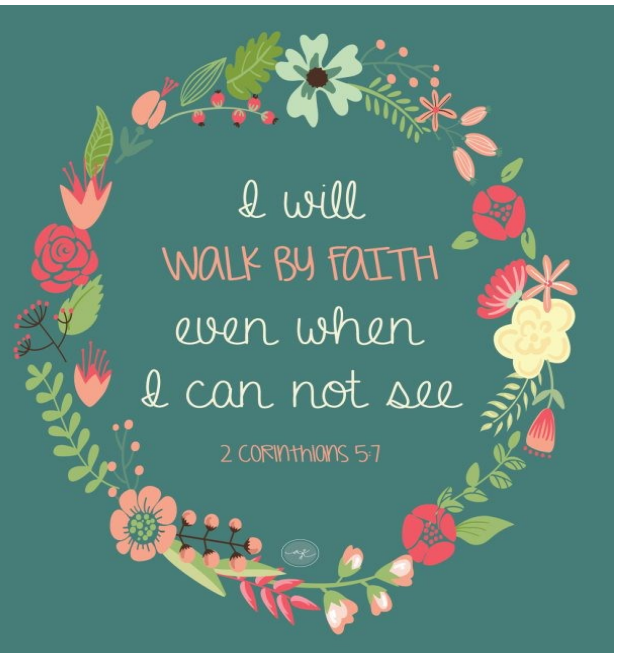
At this time the Food Bank is in need  
of all food items and paper goods.

**Thank You, God...**



**For the Bible!**

**Special Thank you to our Gideon Friends  
who shared their Mission, experiences and  
testimonies from those who have found the  
Gideon bibles with us Sunday, July 21st.**





Pastor Dennis blessing David Bontrager's new wheelchair during the Worship Service

## ***DATES TO REMEMBER***

August 1st—3rd - Pastor will be out of town

August 1st—KOK/KwM Registrations forms available on church website or at the church office

August 8th –Honor and Glory meets at the La Morenita Mexican Restaurant at 6:00 pm

August 11th –Blessing of the Backpacks/Receptions following the Worship Service

August 15th—First Day of School

August 25th—Potluck after Worship Service

August 28th—Kids of the Kingdom/Kids of Missions Informational meeting at 3:00 pm

August 28th—Choir Practice @ 7:00 pm

September 8th—Children's Sunday School Resumes

September 11th—Kids of the Kingdom Resumes - Kids with a Mission (No information yet)



## Christian Humor

Psalms 23:1

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall  
not want.



In his beautiful book, "I Shall Not Want," Robert Ketchum tells of a Sunday School teacher who asked her group of children if anyone could quote the entire 23rd Psalm. A golden-haired, four-and-a-half-year-old girl was among those who raised their hands.

A bit skeptical, the teacher asked if she could really quote the entire psalm.

The little girl came to the front of the room, faced the class, made a perky little bow, and said, "The Lord is my shepherd, that's all I want."

She bowed again and went and sat down.

That may well be the greatest interpretation of the 23rd Psalm ever heard.

### What Are You Seeking?

"<sup>5</sup>Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, <sup>a</sup>or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?" Matthew 6:25

In Matthew 6, Jesus spoke to people who were in deep need. Many of those who listened to Him were simple people who lacked basic necessities, such as food, clothing, and shelter. They also had the same emotional and spiritual needs we do— to be loved, respected, and accepted.

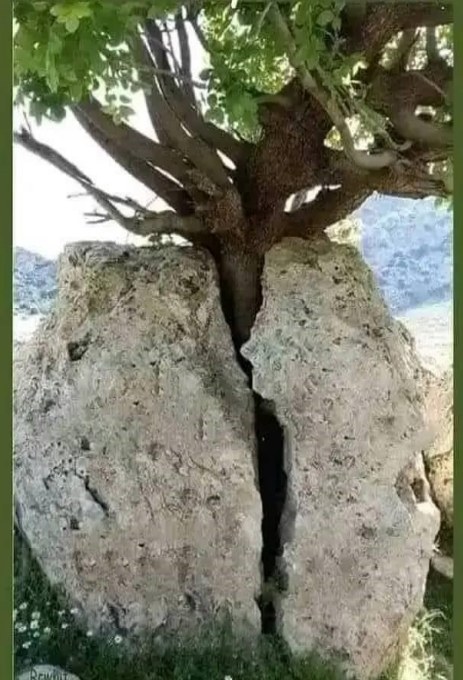
Like many of us, some of the people listening to Jesus were guilty of striving to meet their needs without seeking God's help, and they were frustrated, anxious, and filled with worry because of it. Jesus said to them, "Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:33)

How do we get beyond a spirit of fear, striving, and merely surviving to the point where we are thriving—with a spirit of total trust in the Lord? Jesus told us how: we must turn our minds away from acquiring earthly security and fulfillment and focus on God and His kingdom. We shift our priorities about what we think about, and everything else is added to us.

Jesus, I know I sometimes focus on the wrong goal. Show me how to seek You and Your kingdom first always. Amen

Taken from Charles F. Stanley's "God's Purpose for Your Life"  
365 Devotions

We cannot force someone  
to hear a message they  
are not ready to receive.



But we must never  
underestimate the power  
of planting a seed.



We are adding the **"Potluck Recipes"** section. If you have a favorite recipe that you would like us to add, please let the office know. I will add a couple each month, if space allows.

## Easy Enchilada Casserole

1 lb. ground beef  
1/2 c. chopped onion  
Brown together, drain excess fat as needed  
Stir in  
2-10 oz. cans red enchilada sauce (Mild)  
Layer in 7 x 10 casserole dish with 6-9 corn tortillas, torn into pieces and 2 cups grated cheddar cheese, ending with cheese on top. If desired, crush a handful of tortilla corn chips on top of cheese. Bake 350 for 20-30 minutes uncovered,

Submitted by Alice Robson

## Take-Along Coleslaw

1 bag shredded cabbage  
1- 12-16 oz. bag frozen peas  
1 cup dry-roasted peanuts  
Poppyseed dressing

Mix all ingredients, adding dressing to desired taste. This salad travels well, as the peas keep it cold. Peanuts will get soggy if kept too long, so add last if not eating immediately.

Submitted by Alice Robson

## Fresh Rhubarb Cake Dessert

Cut up 4 cup rhubarb in greased pan  
Mix 1 cup sugar and 1 pkg red Jello (Strawberry is good)  
Sprinkle Sugar mixture over rhubarb  
Add: 1 pkg dry white Jiffy cake mix and 1 cup cold water  
Pour: 1/3 cup melted oleo or butter on top  
Bake 1 hour at 350 degrees 9X13 pan

Submitted by Pat Allen



## **Recent Prayer Requests:**

Jeri Wimer's Family & Friends, Volunteers for all the Youth Programs (Kids of the Kingdom, Kids with a Mission, 5th & 6th grade, Youth Group), Dora Maze, Those affected by Hurricane Beryl, Christopher Montoya's Family & Friends, Judy Gebhardt, Gerry Gebhardt's Family & Friends, Rain, Scott & Linda Davis, Grief & Cancer Support Groups, Anita & Ed Hoffhines, Ryan Anderson (Nephew of Linda Webber)

## **Continued Prayers for:**

Mason May's Family & Friends, The upcoming Grief & Cancer Support groups, Angus Dufon, Neva Chastain & Byrne Woods (both have moved to Marquette)  
Betty Rathbun, Anita & Ed Hoffhines, Ryan Anderson (nephew of Linda Webber), David Urban (Ann Ridinger's father), Jim Schultz  
For anyone who has lost loved ones this past year,  
going through surgeries or treatments, whose struggles are unknown.  
Prayers for those who do not know the Lord.

\*\*Continued prayers will be listed for 3 months. please contact the church office to continue on the list.\*\*



Neva Chastain is at Riverview Estates nursing home in Marquette. She loves it there and is so grateful to be there, even though she still misses everybody here. Praise God for good care homes!

Praise: Rain after a string of 100-degree days.

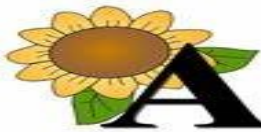
Blessing of David Bontrager's new wheelchair

I am so thankful for the children in church! Welcoming Time is my favorite, as the kids spread out and greet as many of their church family as possible! Sometimes, there is a big hug, other times a handshake, but always a smile! These precious children know they are loved and accepted in our midst, even when they get silly and wiggly and a bit noisy! Hearing little voices also means their moms and dads are here to worship, and we are so very thankful for every generation praising God!



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# AUGUST



## Thursday, August 1st

7:00 pm—Cancer Support Group

## Sunday, August 4th—Holy Communion

9:00 am—Ministerial Alliance Cowboy Church

12:00 pm—Trustees Meeting after Worship Service

## Monday, August 5th

7:00 pm—Grief Support Group

## Tuesday, August 6th

6:30 pm—Leadership Team Meeting

## Wednesday, August 7th

12:30 pm—Pastor's Bible Study at ECF

## Thursday, August 8th

2:00 pm—Faith & Hope Circle Meet

6:00 pm—Honor & Glory Circle Meets at the  
La Morenita Mexican Restaurant

## Sunday, August 11th—Moment 4 Missions

10:45 am—Blessing of the Backpacks

10:45 am—Moment 4 Missions (College Mailings)

12:00 pm—Reception Honoring Students/Volunteers

## Monday, August 12th

6:30 pm—Finance/Stewardship Meeting

7:00 pm—8:30 pm—Grief Support Group

## Wednesday, August 14th

8:30 am—Ministerial Alliance Meeting

12:30 pm—Pastor's Bible Study at ECF

## Sunday, August 18th

8:00 am—Methodist Men's Breakfast

6:00 pm—4-H Ash Creek Meeting (basement)

## Monday, August 19th

2:00 pm—Prairie West Devotions at Good Sam's

6:30 pm—Congregation Care Team Meeting

7:00 pm—Grief Support Group

## Tuesday, August 20th

6:30 pm—Worship Team Meeting

## Wednesday, August 21st

12:30 pm—Pastor's Bible Study at ECF

## Thursday, August 22nd

6:30 pm—Education Team Meeting

## Sunday, August 25th

12:00 pm—Potluck Dinner

2:00 pm—Good Sam's Service

## Monday, August 26th

6:30 pm—SPPR Meets (Moved to Tuesday )

7:00 pm—8:30 pm—Grief Support Group

## Tuesday, August 27th

6:30 pm—SPPR Meets

## Wednesday, August 28th

12:00 pm—Pastor's Bible Study at ECF

3:00 pm—KOK/KwM Informational Meeting

7:00 pm—Choir Practice Begins

## Weekly Activities:

### Sundays:

9:30 am—Sunday School (Adult and High School only)

No Sunday School for Preschool-4th till fall

10:45 am—Worship in sanctuary

11:00 am—Children's Church in basement

8:00 pm—AA/Al-Anon Meeting (North Building)

### Tuesdays:

8:00 pm—AA/Al-Anon Meeting (North Building)

### Wednesday:

12:30 pm—Pastor's Bible Study at ECF

3:05 pm—Kids of the Kingdom (No meeting till fall)

3:45 pm—Kids with a Mission (No meeting till fall)

6:15 pm—Jr/Sr High Youth Group (No meeting till fall)

7:00 pm—Grief Support Group

### Thursdays:

7:00 pm—Cancer Support Group(not meeting at this time)

8:00 pm—AA/Al-Anon Meeting (North Building)

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## Bulletin Mission Outreach

Good Sam

Shut-Ins

Georgina Bates is currently delivering bulletins to a few in the community.

(\* Deliver Our Daily Bread)

(Bulletin Delivery contact: Office 785-472-3870)

## Altar Flowers

The Honor & Glory

Fellowship is in charge of

Altar Flowers.

## Ushers

Jeff Janssen

Trisha Janssen

Steve Allen

(Usher contact:  
church office 472-3870)

## Young Disciples

4 Pastor Dennis

11 Heather West

18 Pastor Dennis

25 Jason Maisog

(Young Disciples contact:  
Nancy Stonebraker 472-4208)

## Children's Church

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11 Pat Allen

18 Sharon Marsh

25 Kourtney Maisog

(Children's Church contact:  
Church office 472-3870)

## Task Force Co-Chairs

Judy Scritchfield (785)472-4168

Linda Davis (785)472-1151

## Task Force List

Brenda Koralek, Amanda Webb, Amie Fosdick, Janet Carswell,  
Carole Larsen, Georgina Bates, Kenzie Stoecklein, Trisha Janssen

## Liturgist

4 Karen Shriner

11 Ridinger Family

18 E. D. Law

25 Daran Frevert

(Liturgist contact: church  
office 472-3870)

Train children in the right  
way, and when old, they will  
not stray.

Proverbs 22:6

## Guardian Angel

No Sunday School till  
this fall

(Guardian Angel contact:  
Church Office 472-3870)

## Communion

Janice Black

E.D. & Joni Law

## Congregation Care Team

Dennis Carter—(620)272-7262

Janice Black—(785)531-1402

E.D. Law (580)471-9094

Joni Law (580)471-9095

## Moments for Missions

## College Mailing

## Nursery

Courtney Maddox

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18 Nancy Stonebraker

25 Jason Maisog

(Nursery contact:  
Heather West 785-531-0843)

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## Ways to view Worship Service:

Eagle cable channel 2 at 10:45 am and 12:45 pm on Sunday.

YouTube where you can watch the recorded service (after 1:00 pm):

<https://bit.ly/3Fz7ouR>

LIVE on our church Facebook Page at 10:45 am

<https://www.facebook.com/ellsworthmethodist>

## Pastor:

Rev. Dennis Carter

Phone: 620-272-7262

E-mail: [pastor.ewmc@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.ewmc@gmail.com)

## Sunday Worship Times:

Sunday School at 9:30am

Worship at 10:45am

TV Ministry—Eagle Cable channel 2  
at

10:45am and 12:45pm

TV Ministry email:

[Video.umcew@gmail.com](mailto:Video.umcew@gmail.com)

## Church office:

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Ellsworth, KS 67439

785-472-3870

Email: [ewmc@gmail.com](mailto:ewmc@gmail.com)

Website: [www.ellsworthmethodist.org](http://www.ellsworthmethodist.org)

Facebook: [ellsworthmethodist](https://www.facebook.com/ellsworthmethodist)

## **Church Office Hours:**

Tuesday through Friday

8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

(Other times available by appointment)



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