

## CALENDAR

**August 11th** - Church Potluck in Fellowship Hall after Worship Service  
**August 17th** - Men's Breakfast in Fellowship Hall @ 8am

## SERVICES

**Class on Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.**

Adult Class: **Wes Seals**- Auditorium/Sanctuary  
Women's Class: **Beth Crawford**- Class Room #3  
High School Class: - Class Room #5  
K-6th Grade: **Mary Munsell** - Class Room #1  
Pre-K Class: **Linda Seals** - Class Room #2  
Infant Class: - Class Room #7

**Worship Service on Sunday at 10:30am**

**Class on Wednesdays @ 7 p.m.**

Adult Class: **Bobbie Seals**- Fellowship Hall  
High School Class: **Pete Tidei**- Room #5  
Kids Class: **Linda Seals/Mary Munsell** - Room #2

## TODAY'S THOUGHT

*You may be the only Bible that others read*



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**WELCOME!**  
Thank you for joining us today.

### Serving Today

ANNOUNCEMENTS - **Drew Arnold**

SONG LEADER - **Kinneth Crawford**

1st PRAYER - **Ken Whaley**

2nd PRAYER - **Bobbie Seals**

LORD'S SUPPER - **Doug Houtz**

READING - **Dalton McCoy**

CLOSING PRAYER - **Wes Seals**



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### Today's Reading

## Ephesians 3:14-21

**14.** For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **15.** from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, **16.** that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, **17.** that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, **18.** may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height- **19.** to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. **20.** Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, **21.** to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

### Today's Preacher

**Michael Case**

## CHURCH FAMILY

**Dan Hirschfeld-** Teacher, Mentor, Treasurer, System Administrator, Greeter, and Friend. After five decades of being one of our Elders, Dan is retiring from the eldership. He has been and will continue to be an integral part of our church family. The Elders would like to thank him for his many years of service and leadership.

**Celebration!!-** Come help us celebrate Sandy Hogins' 80th birthday, Friday August 9th. There will be an open house in the Fellowship room downstairs, from 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Cowboy Church-** 7:30 a.m. July 28th (This Sunday morning), at the Buffalo County Exhibit Building. Coffee, donuts, and a wonderful worship hour.

**Helping Hand-** In lieu of food for Johny's funeral repast, Phyllis has requested casseroles the day before and the day after August 9th. She will be hosting a lot of family members, less time in the kitchen would be most helpful. There will be a sign up sheet in the foyer for anyone that wishes to bring a dish.

**Wedding Bells-** Evan and Adia will be joined together as one, August 10th, at Nebraska Youth Camp, 4 p.m. God bless you both on your journey of a lifetime of happiness.

## PRAYER LIST

**Johny Foster-** Celebration of Life will be held at Blase-Strauser Memorial Chapel, Gothenburg, Ne., Friday, August 9th, at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in the Fort McPherson National Cemetery, Maxwell, Ne. Prayers for Phyllis, and family as they grieve the loss of Johny.

**Christopher Mix-** Will have to endure another back surgery of the same nature, for the prior one that had failed. Please pray for the doctors to be successful with this surgery and for Christopher to heal quickly from it.

**Gloria Arredondo-** Her doctors are slowly decreasing her heart medications. Please pray that there are no complications with this transition.

### Continue to pray for

**Barbara Aufrecht-** Recovery from removing part of her lung.

**MaryAnn Case-** Painful tendonitis in her shoulder and arm.

**Tanya Wegner-** Recovering from surgery.

**Juanita Alvarez-** Recovering from surgery.

**Gary and Angela-** Health concerns.

**Beth Schmidt-** Heart related issues.

### Card Corner

Elaine Harms  
Jeannie Seals  
Diana Danielson

Laurie Helgeson  
Bob Shearer  
Gary Whaley

*Stamped & addressed cards for those listed here and on our prayer list are available in the south corner of the foyer.*

*Please contact Carmen Aufrecht with any changes or questions*

## DEVOTIONAL

### True Friendship

Alistair Begg

No one likes to feel alone and without a friend. We all recognize the importance of friendship and the priceless gift that a true friend can be.

Deep friendship-the kind marked by consistency, honesty, and sensitivity- is the standard which the Bible holds us to.

Solomon says that a true friend is always loyal, regardless of circumstances: "A friend loves at all times" (Proverbs 17:17). We see our friends exactly as they are, and we still remain consistent in our loyalty to them. Furthermore, sincere friends are prepared to wound in order that their friends might become all that God intends them to be: "Faithful are the wounds of a friend" (Proverbs 27:6). We may not particularly like it, but each of us is in need of friends who will hold us accountable when we err- and each of us is called to be that kind of friend, too.

Men and women who take these principles seriously may find themselves asking, "Is there really any friend who embodies such characteristics? Is there anyone that I know who is always constant, who rebukes me in love, who will show grace and sensitivity in all of their dealings with me?" And the answer to those questions is found, ultimately, in the person of Christ. The scope of the Lord Jesus' friendship is amazing! He befriended the strangest individuals-stopping under a tree to speak with a tax collector, asking for water from an immoral woman, reaching out to a leper. He was consistent in His love; He was prepared to speak words of truth, however challenging; He built others up. Supremely, He is the one who loved His friends enough to lay down His life for them (John 15:13). He is the friend of sinners.

Jesus' friendship is the golden standard for ours. As friends of Christ, we are called to love and befriend others as He did. In fact, Jesus said, "You are my friends if you do what I command" (John 15:14). We are to seize every opportunity to share the extent of His friendship with those who are friendless and forlorn.

**Church Text-** If you don't get the bulletin text Saturday evening, text Linda or text Dan. Also, if you'd like to sign up and start getting the bulletin links by text the night before, text Dan 308-293-7744, or Linda 308-293-7994.

### ANY NEWS OR UPDATES?

Please **TEXT** items for the bulletin to:

**308-234-9145**

### Serving 7/31

1st PRAYER  
**Pete Tidei**

SONG LEADER  
**Kinneth Crawford**

READING  
**Gary Wiles**

### Serving 8/04

PREACHER  
**Garrett Schwarz**

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